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All things are ready, if our minds be so.—Shakespeare: Henry V.

FACT AND FALSEHOOD

GAIN the canonizer of St. Balinger finds a text for denouncing "Pinchotized conservation" in Louis V. Hill's statement that the forest service is responsible for nonsettlement of 25,000 acres of agricultural land around Upper Klamath lake.

There is 64 per cent of misleading accuracy in this charge, in so far as it is true that about 16,000 acres of this marsh land are within the national forest, but this unusually high percentage should not occasion too great surprise.

In the first place, these 16,000 acres (not 25,000) were included in the national forest many years before Pinchot's bureau had anything to do with the matter. They were retained later at the request of the reclamation service because of their relation to one of its proposed projects.

Nor does the Oregonian mention, in connection with Pinchot's "persecution" of settlers, that it was he who proposed and secured the passage of the forest home-stead law, allowing entry of agricultural land within national forests, a thing prohibited until he took up the cause of the western settler.

This is Pinchotism, which the Oregonian denounces. On the same occasion Pinchot continued, in present mood, "The easiest way to hide a real issue always has been, and always will be, to replace it with a false one."

THE MAYOR AND THE COURT

ON SEVERAL occasions recently, Mayor Simon has been very plain and direct in charging that the courts permit unnecessary delay in the Kieran case. In an interview May 24, he said: "Furthermore, I am vexed at the tedious and unnecessary court procedure. There never should be this delay. The suit questioning the validity of the Broadway bridge bonds should be set down for trial in the circuit court immediately, and should be pressed to an issue and settled. We could then proceed regardless of the action of the railroad companies."

In an interview May 24, Mayor Simon said: "If the courts will cease listening to trivialities and decide the Kieran case without further procrastination, then I am sure we will be able to build the Broadway bridge without any more delay. It seems to me that in a matter of such vital importance to the people at large, larger matters than technicalities could be disregarded and the matter settled. I mean no disrespect to the courts when I say that their procrastination is the chief trouble preventing the building of the bridge."

The mayor's energy is admirable, but is his position sound? If there were no Kieran suit, there would be no further delay. The bridge would be before this day. How then can procrastination by the courts be "the chief trouble"?

fronted with an extraordinary case. The usual purpose of a suit is to seek decision. The purpose in this one is to postpone the decision. The longer the delay can be postponed, the longer the sale of the bridge bonds can be prevented, and therein is the whole purpose of the proceeding. The resort to the courts is not to obtain justice, but to use the courts as a tool to prevent it.

It is so seldom that courts are confronted with Kieranism that they are unpracticed in dealing with it. Lawyer Dunway has had great experience and much success at that sort of business. In the several years that he maintained obstructive suits against the paving companies, he became an expert postoner and preventer, so expert indeed that the paving people put him on their payrolls in order to secure the immunity that they thereafter enjoyed.

WHAT WOULD BE LEFT?

PORTLAND has its assembly mayor and its defied public will. Under the leadership of a direct primary mayor, the council voted to carry out the will of the majority as expressed in a regular election. Under the leadership of an assembly mayor, some of the same councilmen voted to defy the public will.

As has been revealed by the docks episode, an assembly governor will be ready to set up his will in opposition to the people's. With the emergency clause in a subsequent legislature, he will have the power to prevent the bills and appropriations from being referendum.

The supreme court of Oregon has decided that whenever the emergency clause is on a bill, the referendum cannot be invoked on that measure, and has further decided that it lies solely with the legislature to determine when an emergency exists.

It is easily discernible that in the process of time, officialdom at Washington, in its enthusiasm for harbor commerce, may have taken a position that the spirit of American life does not justify. Somewhere in the common law or the constitution it is probably provided that the rights and privileges of all men are about equal.

DESTINY.

THERE is significance in an incident reported from the Oregon Agricultural college. Though the number of agricultural graduates in this year's class is large, three times as many positions are offered there as there are graduates. It is further stated that all the members of the class in forestry and in some of the engineering courses have positions awaiting them on their graduation next month.

But the particular significance is in the fact of the strong demand for especially trained men in agriculture, horticulture and allied industries. One of these graduates has gone to accept a government position in the horticultural line at Toronto, Canada. Another has gone to the University of Maine in a teaching capacity in the same line. The others go mostly into good salaried positions in the new orchards and on the farms of the state.

of enlightened orcharding in Hood River, Rogue River and other districts, is exemplifying what intelligent methods will accomplish. The demand for college graduates, reflecting a movement for skilled processes, is the result and it mirrors that gradual transformation taking place in every industrial line in the state.

A BURNING ISSUE

IT SHOULD not be lost sight of that Oregon is losing \$2,000,000 every year on account of bad roads. The fact should be heralded at every cross roads, shrieked in every school house, preached from every platform and reiterated in every newspaper.

All this is reminder that next Saturday evening Portland is to study the road issue. A meeting called by Dr. Andrew C. Smith, president of the Oregon Good Roads association, is to be addressed by Mr. Eldridge, a federal government expert, who has spent almost a lifetime in the study of the subject.

Seeing the danger of Mr. Husky, we hastened to form him of his danger, which he then saw more plainly than we did, and pulling off his shirt he tore it in two and wrapped the pieces around the wheels and lifting the truck he started off again. We then called his attention to the fact that the iron legs of the truck were shoes and completely removing all the shivers from the platform.

BRIDGE DRAWS

THERE is promise that the closing of the bridge draws during rush hours at Portland is to be secured by the Bourne amendment at Washington. If that plan should fall, another is suggested by E. T. Williams in an article on this page.

While in Boston he had watched the British troops drill on the commons and he persuaded a British deserter to accompany him back to Rhode Island when the Quakers saw the "Guard".

AN UNSATISFACTORY CENSUS.

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Senator Bourne said more than that was reported in the dispatches, and still more that was not. But here is enough to justify a question for Oregon voters: Will they permit the interests to lead them up against such a government to overthrow it? Intentionally it is not likely, but unless they are very careful about that proposed constitutional convention which the interests are trying to foist upon them they will lose it, and without knowing it until too late.

TANGLEFOOT

By Miles Overholt

HE KEPT THEM ON. Portland, Or., May 25.—My Dear Tanglefoot—Immediately upon returning from the land of vast distances, I, e. central Oregon, I beheld the "Tree Alga" signs, and fulfilling my promise in regard to the handling of high explosives by the railroad employes, how boring through that magnificent country, permitted me to say that, as you will doubtless realize, taking into consideration the length of time the cars are on the tracks and sidings with the sun beating down upon them, in some cases the heat is so great that the G. P. actually runs out of the receptacles in which it is stored.

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Letters From the People

How to Sell the Bridge Bonds. Portland, May 25.—To the Editor of The Journal—Here is a bond proposition Mr. Kieran and Mr. Dunway cannot knock down. The city of county offer the bridge bonds for sale at small denominations of \$5 to \$100, demand 10 per cent interest and non-assessable for taxes.

One Way to Open the Draws.

Portland, Or., May 25.—To the Editor of The Journal—The people of this city are deeply interested in the question of "Closing the Draws" during certain hours of the day. The closed periods proposed by Mayor Simon are generally approved, as accommodating the majority and interfering but slightly with river transportation interests.

Senator Gallinger's Frank.

By Mark Sullivan in Collier's Weekly. The American Protective Tariff League is in a broad sense probably the most effective organization for evil in the United States. (This statement will be amplified another day; for the present we reprint a portion of a circular letter sent broadcast through the United States last week.)

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COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

- Worry is weakness. O. you Oregon strawberries! Fear is an emissary of Death. Halley's old comet is a back number. Lorimer should send his toga to the wash. The crack pitcher is still the national hero. Kipling should try farming for a living. Even a fine rooster's tail beats the comets. Wise Republicans fear an assembly nomination. Can the assembly decide what is a Republican? A bad man's death doesn't make his life any better. The summer girl is more glorious, if possible, than ever. Public officers can take frequent and prolonged vacation trips. It will be the greatest season ever for the Oregon beach. The callow graduates may be wiser than the greybeards think. Could we first have a safe and sane—or a decent Decoration day? Let's forget the comets; it wasn't worth much notice, anyway. The "snakes" seem difficult to kill off; they grow and multiply. Get ready for this coast for a tip-up when Roosevelt lands in N. Y. Oh! if the improper play is barred, won't the theatre have to close? Not all graduates will have been eminent in football or baseball; what a pity. No babies are being named after Halley. Yet he was a fine astronomer in his day. There is yet time for that flood—and a right smart chance, if it turns off hot for awhile. When Roosevelt becomes emperor of all the Americas, will the other monarchs return the call? Anarchists have held a convention; it was far more peaceable than one of the D. A. R.—ers or suffragists. President Taft released a young man from prison so that he could be married. Only an ignorant teacher, perhaps, a case of out of the frying pan into the fire. There are plenty of young men who will go any distance, or to any reachable heights, to see a comet's tail, or anything else visible, or invisible, if the girls will go along. And the girls will go.

May 27 in History—Birthday Nathaniel Green

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(Contributed to The Journal by Walt Mason, the famous Kansas poet. His prose-poems are a regular feature of this column in The Daily Journal.) The world rolls on from day to day, and idle men lie in the way; the loafing gnat will never pay, get busy, then, get busy! The man who loiters in the shade to watch the busy man's parade will find his hopes of fortune fade; get busy, then, get busy! If you are a good man, get busy, get busy! You are a good man, get busy, get busy! You are a good man, get busy, get busy! You are a good man, get busy, get busy!

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OREGON SIDELIGHTS

More shells roads will be made on the Yachinca. First Unitarian church of Eugene has been incorporated. Band of 125 cattle arrived via Junction City at Eugene. Twenty-five young people graduated from the La Grande high school. Union county is alive to the necessity of good roads, says the Observer. A man who a year and a half ago purchased 12 acres of a place near Central Point, paying \$1200 an acre, or \$14,400, has just sold it to Mr. Beckwith, an attorney of New York, for \$1200 an acre, or \$12,000. The 12 acres are planted to alfalfa, which are in bearing. Gold Hill News: Platinum in southern Oregon but let no one be surprised. Everything that man needs for his comfort and happiness has been placed here by a beneficent providence. It remains only for the lord of creation to make the most of the opportunities that here abound. Hood River News: We learn from one of the prominent orchardists in the valley, that nature is lending a helping hand in the apple orchards this spring. The apples are showing themselves very nicely, leaving much labor and expense. The apples remaining on the trees are firm, perfectly shaped, and of a fine bluish, making the prospects for a fine crop perfect. Prineville Review: Statistics show the death rate from tuberculosis all over the country to be close to 10 per cent in Crook county last year. There were but 43 deaths from all causes. And this in a county containing close to 3000 souls. A trifles more than one half of one per cent. One county physician is required to look after the contagious and county cases, with nominal fees, and very little of his time is required for the purpose. W. W. Masten, six miles south of Klamath Falls, says the Chronicle, has gone into the farming business on the largest scale of any man who ever attempted to till the soil of Klamath county. He has purchased a fine plow, twelve plows are hitched to this monster engine which cuts a strip 20 feet wide at a depth of 10 inches. It has a big headlight and is run day and night, and is turning over 50 acres every 24 hours. The census takers have been finishing up their job, and now there will be halpulating, says the Albany Chronicle. Albany has a soldier in the boot of Salem ten years ago when it got a population of 4200, due to contracted lungs and other common ailments immediately enlarged. There is leakage about Albany that is startling. Accordingly it means a showing about the census takers. A number of a hundred misses of one exhumator have been found, just picked up.

For Brunettes.

WHERAT BLUES are to the blonde, geranium pinks and reds are to the brunette. The genuine brunette, dark eyed and dark hair, with a clear, pink and white complexion, may choose any tone from the faintest pink that tips the geranium blossom to the richest scarlet. This rule does not hold good with the fair brunette, who has only the least tinge of color, but who, for bright, vivid scarlet would kill the delicate units. The pale tones of salmon and coral pinks are effective and at the other extreme a very rich deep red, inclining to scarlet.

Raisin Short Bread.

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