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WILSON AND CHAMBERLAIN

THE splendid tribute to President Wilson was a conspicuous feature of Senator Chamberlain's free tolls speech. He said: I yield to none in my admiration, regard and respect for the distinguished president of the United States.

STATE GIVES AID

THE State Highway Commission has decided to appropriate from the highway fund the sum of \$8000 for the improvement of the road between Rex and Tigardville. This stretch of road, nearly seven miles in length, is the link connecting Portland with the valley counties and for this reason is more than a local road.

HOME RULE

THE announcement that the bill granting Ireland home rule has passed its final reading in the House of Commons is probably the beginning of the final chapter in an agitation of years. The next step will be reconciliation of the Protestant counties of Ulster.

THERE'S NOTHING NEW

ANYONE who calmly reflects will find that the war which you are waging here is likely to be a very great one. We must not flatter ourselves for one moment that if we do but ravage their country the war will be at an end.

CHURCH UNION

STEP has been taken towards the unification of all Protestant churches by the Presbyterian general assembly by creating a committee on church cooperation and union which will seek to interest other denominations in the appointment of similar committees.

Irish party, but the bill was rejected by the House of Lords, after a few hours' discussion. In the election of 1895 the Liberals were again badly beaten and did not succeed in retaining power until 1906 when they were returned by the biggest majority in the history of the party.

The measure curtailing the authority of the House of Lords is called the Parliament act and was passed in 1911. In the following year another home rule bill was passed by the Commons and rejected by the Lords. The same result occurred when the bill was produced last year.

THE FRIAR'S CLUB

EVERY added revelation concerning what was done there, makes the Friar's club more shocking. The story of a 16-year old girl of doings at the place as told in Sunday's Journal gives some insight into the shamelessness and infamy of the things that transpired there. No arrangement could have been more complete for the ruin of young girls. The reveals only reached their climax when all the rest of the world was asleep.

BUY AND SHOOT

THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD boy was shot and killed by his 17-year-old brother at Grants Pass last Friday while the latter was playing with a revolver. In Milwaukee, Wis., the other day a man standing on a corner waiting for a street car was killed by a stray bullet. Twice in as many days last week selves were endangered in St. Louis by flying bullets.

THE ANIMALS NEXT

FOR the nonce the health fadists are giving human kind a rest and have turned their attention to the animal kingdom. They have taken away from man the public towel, the common drinking cup, the general communion cup and the finger bowl, time honored adjuncts of daily life and now in Philadelphia they are agitating doing away with the public troughs which for generations have furnished water for the thirsty horse and dog.

ANOTHER ONE

ACCORDING to a statement made by the California railroad commission another man who did "business with the devil" was Patrick Calhoun, former president of the United Railroad system of San Francisco. The commission has found that over a million dollars belonging to the stockholders of the corporation were absorbed in one of Calhoun's land speculations. Of course he furnished security for the money. This security has been appraised to be worth the sum of \$1.

greatly mistaken. The quotations are from the address of Archdamus, king of the Lacedaemonians on the eve of a war with Athens, 24 centuries ago. We are wont to boast of our civilization and our advance towards the light but it appears after all that we have not made such great progress. The problems that we are encountering and trying to solve were met in the ages that have gone before.

THE CHIEF ANARCHIST

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR. refused to receive Judge Ben Lindsey and the women from Colorado who went East in the hope of inducing the Rockefellers to consent to arbitrate differences in the strike zone. Rockefeller says the Denver juvenile court judge will be received courteously and "someone assigned to hear his story," but under no circumstances will John D. Rockefeller see him.

Letters From the People

(Communications sent to The Journal for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 300 words, and should be accompanied by the name and address of the writer. The editor does not desire to have the same published more than once.)

Addressed to Mr. Engelke.

Portland, May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—I ask F. J. Engleke of London, Ont., to live: the greatest curse and the greatest evil in the world today is strong drink, and they who use it are—poor or soon will be—poor in purse, poor in good name, and almost always poor in mind.

The Genie Freed.

Portland, May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—As a wife and mother, I desire to extend thanks to Mrs. Dunaway for uncorking the bottle and releasing the genie from the state of slavery to escape, and desire to assure you that said genie, now fully developed and self-conscious, can never again be bottled up, but has a great and grand work to perform.

Fatherly Advice to Republicans.

Portland, May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—Republican, come let us reason together. A Democrat who is not lost faith in his countrymen, would say to you, that you have the instincts of good little men and the tactics of bad little boys, and you have been misbehaving for more than 20 years past.

Sample and Other Ballots.

Portland, May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—I am glad to see the "Voter" and C. F. Miller write about voting, as it is of great importance, and so few persons care about public affairs, and so many are so easily satisfied to make money, they often call our active persons "knockers," not knowing that such are often our best citizens, and so many are so easily satisfied to make money, they often call our active persons "knockers," not knowing that such are often our best citizens.

Good Work on Roads.

Vancouver, Wash., May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—The residents of Walnut Grove, Clarke county, Wash., turned out in body on a good roads day and we think we had done more than any other place in the county for the number of men. We had the kind assistance of friends from Jaggy and Homan, who came with teams and did "fine" day's work.

A FEW SMILES

"They tell me that your small boy says some unusual things." "Yes, yes. Did you hear his latest?" "Sure." "You never met him?" "True. But I've met a lot of doing nothing fellows who invariably tell the same old tales."

SMALL CHANGE

A woman is a bundle of nerves—until the string breaks. Every man with common sense misses a lot of alleged fun. It pays to be honest, but sometimes pay day is late in showing up. If you have a skeleton in your closet, that's the place for it.

PERTINENT COMMENT AND NEWS IN BRIEF

The hospital recently opened at Brookings is the first in Curry county. The building was erected especially for the injured soldiers. Baker's business men are agitated over the question of the tax. They want the latest type installed, and are fighting a makeshift that is proposed because of the tax.

MELLEN'S CONFESSION

From the Detroit News. It is all coming out in the wash. Some cities in the United States have learned it through bitter experience—among them—but all cities may now learn from the example of Charles S. Mellen how public service corporations juggle with franchises and how the people pay the fiddler in the end.

Anti-Prohibition.

Portland, May 23.—To the Editor of The Journal—I am pleased to read the able arguments against prohibition written by Messrs. Addis, Nickerson and Engelke and Mrs. Dunaway. I am glad to see the "Voter" and C. F. Miller write about voting, as it is of great importance, and so few persons care about public affairs, and so many are so easily satisfied to make money, they often call our active persons "knockers," not knowing that such are often our best citizens.

Official from Investment Bankers

By John M. Oskison. "The Investment Bankers' association is a well-organized and sympathetic organization, and its action against fraud, was compelled to take the lead in attacking the chief laws that had been enacted with this object in view." As for what the association wants in the way of regulatory laws, the statement says:

THE ROSES OF PORTLAND.

By J. A. Clemenson. The roses that grow in the city of Portland are worth the price of the show? You must value them by millions and millions, and still count the millions and millions that grow. There are roses to strew on the day of our soldiers. And roses for ails: wherever you go, yet the riot of bloom keeps a steady profusion. With billions to spare for the Portland Rose Show.

Old Wine in New Bottles.

From the Cleveland Plain-Dealer. Remember the old story about the man who raised enormous quantities of peaches, and when he asked what he did with them, said: "We eat what we can, and what we can't we can." Of course you do. It is one of the oldest of all the stories—it was canned long ago. But there is another one that reminds you of it. A traveling man explained his business to a man who asked him to sell an order when we can sell it, and when we can't sell it, we cancel it. It amounts to about the same thing.

THE RAGTIME MUSE

Mark the Difference. A man may spend his millions. He may buy a big dog house. Yet, though it is big, the sky. He wins a far less measure of respect and renown than he who has a dog house in a small size town.

CATERING TO ALL.

From the New York Times. A Boston merchant tells of an old grocer in Massachusetts who was called "A" in an article as one would care to meet. "One day," says the Bostonian, "I stopped before his shop and looked curiously at a long line of barrels of apples, some marked with an 'A,' some marked with a 'Z.'"

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IN EARLIER DAYS

"Sowbly and bardack get rather monotonous at times," said Alonzo Perkins of this city in speaking of his experiences as a soldier in the Mexican war. "And particularly so when you can see the hills of Antelope and deer on all sides as you march. Our regiment, the First Illinois, under command of General John Wool, was marching from San Antonio, Texas, to Chihuahua, Mexico. The troopers were having all the venison and antelope they could eat, while the foot soldiers were going without. My bunkie and I decided we wanted some deer meat, so we went to our captain and asked him if we could go hunting next day. He said, 'Yes, if you will be back by sundown. If you will send some of the meat to my tent, which is situated not to get lost, which seemed unnecessary, as we didn't think it would be so hard to locate an army of several thousand men.'"

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