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## THE FUTURE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

The results of the election on Tuesday are sure to have an important bearing upon political thought and action in this country.

To bring the front progressive leaders or progressive aims and issues under old leaders; or both.

Nicholas Murray Butler, Frank Munsey and others are now declaring that there is no difference whatever between the members of the old guard in the Republican and Democratic parties; and they are saying that for their own good and the good of the country the two big parties should form an alliance.

That they have to fight the radicals in their own parties all the time, and they might as well do it together.

There is something in this; but there is not enough in it to bring the idea to fruition.

The Republican party will live, and so will the Democratic party; and there will be conservative men as well as radicals in both the old parties.

Just as there would be extreme radicals and men less radical in a party that would oppose the new party made out of the two old parties, if such an idea could be consummated.

A great body of the people of the United States want greater progress than has been shown by the conservatives of either of the old parties.

They want action. They want things done. They are not satisfied with the status quo. They desire something beyond mere negation; and reactionary tendencies please them not at all. They like to be progressive and to be known as progressives. There are millions of people in the United States, too, who believe this country should have joined the League of Nations without reservations, or with one set or another of the proposed reservations. They believe this country neglected not only its duty but its opportunity in refusing to become a part of this international body for steadying and regulating a war torn world.

These people will admit that President Harding did a great thing in calling the Washington conference; that the Washington conference accomplished a vast good.

But they believe this was not enough; that the aloofness, the provincialism, the chauvinistic spirit, the selfish outlook into which this country has been forced, in the eyes of other peoples, is unfortunate and unworthy of our great heritage.

This sentiment will not down. It will persist. It is growing. The Republican party must take account of it, and direct its policies along lines to meet it—if the Republican party is to be an easy victor in the election of 1924.

Great accomplishments are already to the credit of the Republican administration at Washington; not the least of which is the best tariff law in the history of this country. The enactment of a suitable ship subsidy law will be another—if this shall be accomplished.

But there will have to be still greater heed paid to the progressive spirit of the American people, so many of them not satisfied with either past performances or present promises and professions, if the Republican party is to avoid danger of defeat two years hence.

Provided the Democratic party can find a leader and formulate issues more satisfying to the progressives of this country.

There is time to take stock; and the race of the present administration is not yet half run. But there must be a taking of stock, and a shaping of policies, for the good not only

of the party, but also of the country, and of the world for the service of which the United States was set apart as a nation.

No one has moved to make it unanimous. A motion of that kind is in order.

Stanley Baldwin, the new British chancellor of the exchequer, says it is the first duty of that nation to pay the United States the money it owes. That sounds good.

The Statesman of next Thursday will have a symposium on the strawberry industry of the Salem district. It is a big industry here, and may be made much bigger and more profitable by the use of better methods, including irrigation in seasons when it is needed—and this will include nearly every growing season.

The flax industry can be made to pay a large part of the running expenses of the penitentiary. Perhaps the whole cost, in time. Nothing else gives any such promise. Besides, it can be employed to help develop the flax industry on the outside of those walls into one that will bring in millions of dollars annually. The flax industry at that institution must be preserved and extended; at least to the spinning of twine. Perhaps further, in time. This can all be done without taking a dollar from the pockets of taxpayers. It can be made to develop itself from within itself, while yielding a part of the support of the men, 150 of whom are now idle.

### ST. LOUIS-SAN FRANCISCO RAILWAY PLACES LARGE CONTRACT FOR NEW EQUIPMENT.

That the management of the St. Louis-San Francisco railway, commonly and commercially known as the Frisco Lines, has abundant faith in the future of the territory these lines serve, and that they are looking forward to an era of prosperity which must soon and inevitably follow upon the termination of the present period of industrial unrest, is evidenced in a statement of Mr. Chas. A. Forrest, general agent, Pacific Coast, for these lines with offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle, that his lines have recently let contracts for 35 large Mikado freight engines, 15 mountain type passenger engines and 1000 fifty-ton hopper bottom coal cars at an expense of over \$8,000,000. Bids have also been asked for 1500 fifty-five ton all steel gondola coal cars, 1200 heavy steel underframe automobile box cars and 300 heavy steel underframe stock cars. Delivery of the locomotives

**FUTURE DATES**  
November 10, Friday—Apollo club concert at armory.  
November 11, Saturday—Armistice day, legal holiday.  
November 12, Monday—Scottish Rite Masons to meet in Salem.  
November 14, Tuesday—Representative W. O. Hewley to speak to Salem Six O'clock club, First Methodist church.  
November 17, Friday—Football, Willamette university and Pacific university, at Forest Grove.  
November 20, Thursday—Thanksgiving day.  
December 2, Saturday—Bazaar, St. Paul's Church, 560 Chemeketa.

### SELLING CHINESE BABIES

According to a story brought from China by Miss Jean Adams, for twenty-three years a missionary in the Orient, that newly chartered republic under the parchment still retains clauses of its ancient barbarism. At least for mothers to sell their babies on the public highways is hardly in

keeping with the ethics of modern democracy.

Yet Chinese mothers, without official rebuke, indulge in this unnatural trade—poor little waifs of humanity are sold on country roads for sums ranging from 10 cents to \$1.

As Miss Adams expressed it before the Woman's Missionary society at Baltimore, "They are peddled like potatoes or apples," the briskest demand being for female babies to be trained for "sing-song girls" in dance halls—and all that this implies.

She as one individual couldn't end the practice, but she could at least forestall the "sing-song" buyers and drive a spike into their immoral traffic. So she opened in China an embroidery industry and when the women engaged in it have accumulated sufficient funds from their earnings they purchase these babies themselves, educate them in the Foreign Missionary college and teach them to be self-supporting.

There is only one objection to this remedy. By increasing competition in the Chinese baby market it may raise prices and so spread the trade by making it more alluring.

Yet it is hard for western people to deal with eastern problems. The disciples of Confucius are so long on philosophy and learning and so short on the humanities, while we, as Christians, are inclined to reverse this order. Perhaps a little less ancestor and a little more children worship would improve the morals of modern China.

### BITS FOR BREAKFAST

11-11-11-18—  
Do you remember that day?  
And how it was celebrated in Salem four years ago tomorrow?  
As soon as the fire department is equipped as authorized by the voters of Salem on Tuesday, and by the city budget, there must be a new survey, in order to re-

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A good deal has been said, first and last, about the poor farming and gardening land belonging to the state industrial school for boys, and about the rocky strip that was selected for the proposed new buildings there—that were planned and not constructed. Now, if you happen to be driving out that way, note the splendid patch of kale on that land—on the very land that was supposed

to be so rocky and unfit for anything. There are a few fields of kale in the whole valley; and this is a great country for kale. It is not the aim of this paragraph to say the industrial school land is the best in this section. But nearly every acre of it is capable of raising some good crop. And some of it is hard to beat, even in this rich Willamette valley.

Briefly, big profits can be made in the penitentiary flax plant, manufacturing fiber and tow, even at present low prices, and after paying for the keep of the men, and a wage of 20 cents a day to each man; and after paying the farmers well for their flax. Bigger money can be made in spinning the fiber. There are 150 idle men there. The flax



## Oxfords Again



This pattern may be had in black or Havana Brown Kid and Soft Mahogany Calf. Price \$5 to \$8.50.

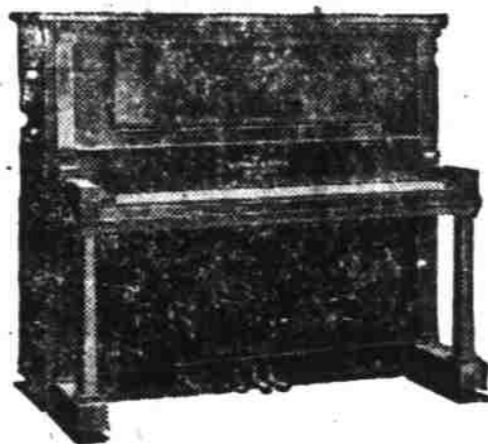
This attractive new Blucher Oxford is shown in Mahogany Calf or Patent Leather. Price \$4.50 to \$8.00.



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### THE FUN BOX

#### OPEN THE LID AND LAUGH

**Not Yet**  
Johnny (to Jim, on his way home from fishing on Sunday afternoon): "Did you get anything?"  
Jim: "No, I haven't been home yet."  
**Fair Enough**  
Father: "Oscar, why don't you let brother use your sled half of the time?"  
Oscar: "Why, I do. I have it going down and he has it coming back."

**A Friendly Tip**  
Teacher: "Johnny, something must be done about your conduct. I will have to consult your father."  
Johnny: "Better not, teacher. It will cost you ten dollars. He's a doctor."  
**In Proportion**  
"How much did it cost to get your shoes shined?"  
"Ten cents."  
"That fellow would paint a barn for a quarter, wouldn't he?"

#### THE SHORT STORY, JR.

**SLIPPERS-BY-THE-FIRE**  
Mrs. Lewis sighed happily and sank into the worn leather chair by the fire. At last her house was spotless, her silver was all shining, and her tired and aching feet were comfortably incased in her old felt slippers. She picked up her knitting, humming "Silver threads among the gold" softly to herself.  
Clara, who was seated at the table trying to get her Latin, watched her mother out of the corner of her eye. She had just returned from Belle's, and she was still thinking how beautiful Belle's mother had looked in her lovely dinner gown. Why hasn't her mother stylish and up-to-date like Belle's? Belle's mother had worn a soft dress of pale pink, trimmed with gray fur. Her mother's old blue serge was shiny, and even when it was new Clara felt certain that it had never been stylish. Belle's mother had worn



"It's nice of you to say so. Sometimes I have been afraid that Clara was a little ashamed of her old-fashioned mother, and I know she hates my slippers."  
"Oh," Belle sighed, "why would you think of such a thing? I'd give anything if my mother was just like you. Of course I love my mother; she is so beautiful. But she is never at home, and she isn't a real mother at all. I want a real mother who will sit by the fire and knit and wear slippers."  
Clara laughed happily as she slipped in and perched herself on the arm of the old, worn, leather chair.  
"Mother is a real mother," she said, "and there isn't another like her in the world."

#### PICTURE PUZZLE

NAME 5 THINGS FOUND IN THIS HARDWARE STORE—

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