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The man is a poor American who fails to see that there are two qualities, two characteristics equally base; the characteristic of arrogance toward those who are less well off and the characteristic of rancor and envy toward those who are better off.

The most dangerous citizen in the country is the man who would strive to persuade any set of our people that it is to their interest to mishandle any other set of our people.

The rich man can be helped permanently only if the conditions are such that the wage worker is well off.

We shall make our government what it is to be and will be only when we hunt down the scoundrel who succeeds as mercifully as we hunt down the scoundrel who fails.—Theodore Roosevelt at Salem.

IS IRRIGATION A FAILURE?

The semi-annual meeting of the State Irrigation Association, which was to have been held in Baker City some time in June, will not be held on account of a lack of interest.

The state secretary has written the local committee at Baker City that the convention might be abandoned if the interest was not sufficient to insure a good meeting.

Oregon began her irrigation campaign last November with a flourish of trumpets, and within eight months after the outpour of enthusiasm which deluged the state convention, the first scheduled meeting of the state association goes by default for lack of interest.

Government engineers are now in the state hunting the hills over for irrigation plans. The fund of \$1,000,000 which is due Oregon from the government, lies idle in the treasury, the arid belt is still on the map, the snow from millions of acres of forest area still goes to waste, and yet the subject of irrigation is dying in Oregon for lack of interest.

Every Eastern Oregon county has a local irrigation association, which would send delegates and this semi-annual meeting at Baker City, was planned for the special purpose of inviting the government's experts to an irrigated district in the irrigating season, so they might know by actual observations the results and the possibilities in Eastern Oregon. It was to be an object lesson in Oregon irrigation, and now that crops are growing and Providence is smiling upon the blossoming orchards and waving fields, the keen edge on the subject of irrigation is blunted and the irrigationist forgets his mission.

Other states which are watching Oregon will decide that her irrigation talk is mostly pastime. People who are looking for results will turn elsewhere. People who are looking for homes will not be attracted by the lethargy which seems to deaden the enthusiasm and tie the tongues of Oregon irrigationists, in the summer season.

Eastern Oregon should not disappoint her neighbors and fellow-irrigationists in the West. She should hold this meeting and it should have a representative from every irrigation association in the arid counties. She should not halt in the midst of the good work. The government has sent men to investigate her possibilities and upon her activity and interest will largely depend the government's work in this state.

If she lags and loses interest can she complain if the government withdraws its surveyors, engineers and experts to more encouraging fields? Can she blame any but herself, if the high ideal fixed at the Portland convention is not attained?

Hold this meeting at Baker City. Wake up the state executive committee and have a date set. Advertise the meeting and save Eastern Oregon from the humiliation of having abandoned her first opportunity to demonstrate her possibilities of irrigation.

The first wool sales of the season in Eastern Oregon will take place in this city on May 28-29 and the wool-growers are highly encouraged with the prospect for good prices. The price of wool is climbing slowly in all the principal markets of the West. At Boise City, last week, 15 cents was refused by the owner of a clip amounting to 500,000 pounds, while the largest single woolgrower in the West, sold his crop of 600,000 pounds, at a little better than 15 cents, in Southern Idaho. The great shortage occasioned by the awful loss of sheep in the Montana blizzard, last week, has given a briskness to the market, which promises the wool men a slight return, for the outrageous advance in salt. The members of the wool pool must remember that the loss of one million sheep in Montana means something in the wool market and prices will be regulated to a large extent by this misfortune.

Max O'Reil, the noted French author, is dead. In later journalistic circles no other writer has done so much as O'Reil to portray the inside of American social life. His letters on American women have attracted wide attention on account of their genuine humor, and delightful character painting. His place in the Sunday newspapers of the day will be hard to fill. His letters ranked favorably with those of Ella Wheeler Wilcox in the portrayal of life and sentiment.

The committees appointed by the Progress Club to make arrangements for the Fourth of July celebration all report the most satisfactory results. The city will be beautifully decorated, ample shade, seats, ice water and other conveniences will be furnished for the people and Pendleton assures her visitors that their comfort and entertainment will be made matters of special attention by the committees in charge and the people of Pendleton in general.

Pendleton is soon to elect two school directors and the matter is of much importance to the patrons of the public school. In electing men (or women) to this poorly paid, though important position, care must be taken to select those who are known to be strong believers in the public school system. The school question that confronts the district will admit of no lukewarm members on the board.

Next year should see at least twenty graduates from the Pendleton public schools, as many from the Academy and Business College. Pendleton is a city of 6,000 souls; she has over 1,000 children of school age and there should be one hundred graduates from her educational institutions each year. The money that is sent to Portland will buy just as good an education at home and it should be kept here.

Thomas A. Edison has been called back from his wonder world of science to the prosaic earth by a common, every-day strike among his employes. They probably think he should pay them ten cents per day more, in view of the fact that he can now squeeze gold out of common salt sea water, with his latest invention.

Baker City and La Grande want a government meat inspector for Eastern Oregon. Pendleton is in favor of everything that will protect the people and the industries of Eastern Oregon and joins her neighbors in this move.

The automobile is another method of reducing the population of the earth. According to statistics just issued, the number of people killed by automobiles averages six to each machine in existence.

RAILROAD THROUGH GALILEE.

The following has been received from Consul G. Bie-Ravndal, of Beirut, under date of April 14, 1903:

The Ottoman government has bought the English concession for a line of railroad from Haifa to Damascus. It is intended to build a railway through Galilee to Mzerib, by way of eBisalt, connecting at Mzerib with the Damascus-Mecca line.

On the fifth instant five German civil engineers, employed by the Turkish government, arrived in Haifa, and

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on the 11th of the month of the province of Beirut unveiled a monument in commemoration of the beginning of operations. The estimated cost of this line from Haifa to Mzerib, by way of Beisan, is \$2,000,000. It is to be a narrow-gauge line (about 40 inches in width). The Damascus-Mecca line has now reached a point east of the Dead Sea.

I have reason to believe that this railroad, instead of running to the Hejaz, including Medina and Mecca, will take from Ma'an a southwesterly direction straight to the Gulf of Akaba in the Red Sea. While the line will be built for strategic purposes, it can hardly fail gradually to develop the trans-Jordan country—hitherto another Tibet—by bringing it into touch with the outside world.

NEW ARMY STANDARDS.

The war department has adopted a new set of standards and regimental, battalion and other colors for the army of the United States. The main feature of the new flags, as well as of the buttons and ornaments, is in the representation of the coat of arms of the United States. They are made of the best quality of silk in solid colors, and the United States seal, the insignia, scroll, inscriptions and other emblems are embroidered in colors. The different standards are described as follows:

That of the secretary of war is scarlet, with white fringe, and contains the United States seal embroidered in colors, and four white stars, one near each corner. The cord and tassel are scarlet and white intertwined. The cavalry standard is yellow, and the fringe, cord and tassel are also of the same color. Under the embroidered seal is a scroll in red, with the regimental designation in letters of white. The artillery standard is red, with red fringe, cord and tassel. Below the seal is the insignia of the arm-crossed cannons above yellow scroll, containing the regimental designation in letters of red.

The infantry standard is blue, with yellow fringe and blue and white cord and tassel. Below the seal is a red scroll bearing the regimental designation in letters of white. The standard of the engineers is scarlet, with white fringe and scarlet and white cord and tassel. Below the seal is the insignia

of the corps, a battlement castle embroidered in white, and a white scroll with the battalion designation in letters of red. The signal corps standard is orange with yellow fringes and cord and tassel of orange and yellow. Below the embroidered seal is the insignia of the corps, crossed flags and torch embroidered in yellow and white, under which is a blue scroll with the designation in letters of white.—Washington Letter.

Charles Adams, a prisoner in the Middletown, N. Y., jail, drowned himself in a bath tub.

A cloudburst raised several Oklahoma streams to an abnormal height and destroyed much property.

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