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### IS CRIME INCREASING?

Few social questions are asked more frequently than, "What is the increase of crime?" The national census bureau is seeking an answer to this inquiry. It is undertaking to secure a record of all the persons who are sentenced to the various jails, penitentiaries, and other prisons in the United States during the year 1904.

The wardens of the state prisons and the sheriffs of the counties are being requested to act as special agents to report certain facts concerning every person delivered into their custody. Some counties have not been heard from. In some, perhaps, there are no jails, in others, perhaps, the local jails are no longer used, in still others the sheriffs have possibly neglected the matter. But the records of the census bureau and the resulting statistics will not be complete until all are heard from, and it is hoped that the pressure of other business will not cause the sheriff of any county to block this most important inquiry.

Eugene, a bustling city of 8,000 enterprising, cosmopolitan and highly educational in its tendency, has voted almost unanimously for municipal ownership of electric lighting and water systems. Evidently there is a thoughtful, honest class of people in Eugene. They have studied municipal questions faithfully and have shown the nerve and good sense to admit the truth of their findings. It was never intended for one man to grow rich and opulent from the necessities of his neighbors. Nature has stored the electric current, hallowed out the mountain streams and buried the beds of coal for the use of humanity. It would be no more unjust nor unreasonable for a corporation to lay claim to the air you breathe, than it is to lay claim to the coal mines, water systems and electric lighting currents which the Creator of the world placed at man's disposal. Think of the homes now without the conveniences and luxuries of the age because a grasping corporation has secured a perpetual franchise and raised the price beyond the reach of the poor! Think of the burdensome taxes being paid year in year out, by homeowners to bear the expenses of city government, while shrewd, scheming capitalists reap priceless harvests from franchises that belong to the people. Let the snorting monopolists snort at the idea of the people—the ignorant masses, as they term them—operating a public utility for public use. When such enterprising cities as Eugene vote to own public utilities, there is some solid reason for that sentiment.

Over a quarter of a million dollars worth of brick buildings are in course of erection and in contemplation this spring in Pendleton. An 18-foot front on Main street has just rented for five years at \$100 per month. Business men have confidence in the city which produces such evidences of prosperity as these. With Umatilla county back of the city and with government irrigation back of the county, in addition to the matchless wheat belt, this activity promises to be perpetual.

School teachers in several states are agitating laws to pension old teachers, after a certain number of years service. Teachers follow this calling voluntarily, they work short days, receive good pay and can live as cheaply as any other professional people. Why should the state worry over their individual affairs, more than over the minister's, the carpenter's or the lightning rod peddler's? It is not compulsory service. The pension craze is the curse of the age. If everybody is pensioned, who will work to pay the pensions?

It is really refreshing to think of an unprincipled Kansas senator serving a term for corruption in office in a common, stinking, filthy county jail. Of all the hot beds of political foulness that ever sent a stench to heaven, Kansas has been the worst. A set of the most pernicious, corrup-

tionists ever permitted to breathe the free air, has been defaming, abusing, vilifying and oppressing the reformers of Kansas for the past 20 years. Chief among this clique of arrogant knaves, who were bent on "redeeming" Kansas, is the arch-ass, Senator Burton, now serving a six months term in jail and barred forever from public office, for common, cheap, coarse bribe-taking—betrayal of his trust. This is a day for bonfires and parades among the abused Kansas populists.

### THE WONDERS OF IRRIGATION.

In the Pacific Monthly for April, W. F. G. Thacher draws this picture of the miracle wrought by irrigation: Picture a desert sea of aching waste, hot under the brazen sun. No green thing is there. Only the sapless sagebrush or the ghostly greasewood can extract sustenance from the parched earth. A coyote howls hungrily, and a hideous bird wheels in concentric circles each awaiting the death of some hopeless thing that has been trapped in the desert's maze. Eaters of carrion—of living things, these alone, the desert nourishes.

But, in the course of time, men come, with tools and engines and doleful boasts. Busily they delve and toil, and from a far-off river a channel is dug. From it lesser veins are made to ramify, until the face of the desert is seamed with furrows. Then the water is admitted from the distant brimming stream. It surges through the main channels, and steals gently down the lesser ways. Myriads of life-giving fingers touch the seed that men have sown in the hot, pulverized soil.

Man has accomplished his work, and willing nature takes up the task. Heat, moisture, a soil rich in nourishment, to these the seed responds, and sends its tendrils up into the sunshine, covering the naked earth with a garment of verdure. Cattle feed upon the succulent grasses. The heavy grain bows its head to the harvester. Fruit trees attain a marvellous growth and yield their luscious burden. Houses and barns are built, and group themselves into villages. Roadways reach out to other settlements. The railroad stretches its steely length across the earth. The hum of industry arises and, lo!

### SHAME ON "BUFFALO BILL"

Now that "Buffalo Bill" has had time to see how his divorce suit looks in cold type, his friends and admirers hope that he is thoroughly ashamed of himself. Col. Cody has played the role of Western chivalry with distinguished success until this last act, which deserved the vigorous hissing it received from the public.

That it has taken Col. Cody 38 years to learn that the wife of his youth is not fitted to be his mate; that he proposes to divorce the mother of five children; that the woman who was all-desirable when, as a girl, she loved the fortuneless scout and roughrider "Buffalo Bill," does not suit the opulent Col. Cody when she is 61 years old, can only be explained with any sort of decency by the assumption that she has become different in her old age.

And if such were the truth; if the sweetheart has become a bitter shrew; if the tender, womanly heart has lost its loveliness by the touch of trouble upon the mind, why, even then, any type of madness, whether that of a prize fighter with short hair, or that of an Indian fighter with long hair; and any kind of chivalry, whether the self-sacrifice of a poor man, or the fortitude of a rich man; any true manhood, or any genuine heart of a gentleman, would respond to the thought that whatever betides, a man should cherish, protect, excuse and endure the wife of his youth and the companion of his manhood. Suppose that your wife lost her reason—would you cease to love her, would you hate her, would you drive her into the streets?—Denver Post.

### COMING EVENTS.

- April 9.—Umatilla county republican convention.
- April 12.—Umatilla county democratic convention.
- April 12.—School bond election, Pendleton.
- April 14.—Republican state convention, Portland.
- April 15.—Meeting of Oregon Cattle-growers' Association, Portland.
- April 19.—Democratic state convention, Portland.
- May 2.—Oregon Federation of Labor, Oregon City.
- May 4.—General M. E. conference, Los Angeles.
- May 27-28.—Caledonian picnic at Athena.
- June 2, 3, 4.—Umatilla county pioneers' reunion, at Weston.
- June 6.—General election in Oregon.
- June 15, 16, 17.—Oregon encampment of G. A. R., Hood River.

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The royal feast was done; the king sought some new sport to banish care, And to his jester cried: "Sir Fool, kneel now, and make for us a prayer!"

The jester doffed his cap and bells and stood the mocking court before; They could not see the bitter smile Behind the painted grin he wore.

He bowed his head and bent his knee Upon the monarch's silken stool; His pleading voice arose: "O Lord, Be merciful to me, a fool!"

"No pity, Lord, could change the heart From red with wrong to white as wool; The rod must heat the sin; but Lord, Be merciful to me, a fool!"

"Tis not by guilt the onward sweep Of truth and right, O Lord, we stay; 'Tis by our follies that so long We hold the earth from heaven away."

"These clumsy feet, still in the mire, Go crushing blossoms without end; These hard, well-meaning hands we thrust Among the heart-strings of a friend."

"The ill-timed truth we might have kept— Who knows how hard it pierced and stung! The word we had not sense to say— Who knows how grandly it had rung!"

"Our faults no tenderness should ask, The chastening stripes must cleanse them all; But for our blunders—oh, in shame Before the eyes of heaven we fall."

"Earth bears no balsam for mistakes; Men crown the knave and scourge the fool That do their will; but thou, O Lord, Be merciful to me, a fool!"

"The room was hushed, in silence rose The king, and sought his gardens cool, And walked apart, and murmured low, "Be merciful to me, a fool!"

—Anonymous.

Paul Jelick and Henry Schaez, both 16 years old, had been enemies for the past year, as the result of mutual jealousy, both being enamored of a young girl who attended the same school in Chicago. They fought April 5, and Schaez shot and killed Jelick.

Artemus Gilman was found dead at the home of his son, in Portland, Tuesday morning. He was a noted missionary worker of the state, aged 77.

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