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- A crust of bread and a corner to sleep in.
 - A minute to smile and an hour to weep in.
 - A pint of joy to a peck of trouble.
 - And never a laugh, but the moans come double.
 - And that is life!
 - A crust and a corner that love makes precious.
 - With the smile to warm and the tears to refresh us.
 - And joy seems sweeter when cares come after.
 - And a moan is the finest of folk for laughter.
 - And that is life!
- Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

IT PAYS THE PEOPLE.

The corporation tax law is one of the best measures ever passed by the Oregon legislature.

During the past year it produced a revenue of \$110,956.17, which is money "found" by the state, as the slang phrase expresses it.

Heretofore the people have been taxed to make up the amount produced by this law. The farms, livestock, mercantile stocks and visible property of all kinds have carried the burden. The combinations of capital have paid taxes on what could be seen and assessed, but for the priceless privilege, the unseen and intangible franchise under which they operated profitably in Oregon, they paid nothing.

The beauty of this tax is that it comes from people amply able to pay. The combinations of capital liable for this tax are enjoying a phenomenal prosperity and the \$110,956.17 produced by this moderate tax on them, in return for the privileges enjoyed under Oregon laws, is just that much burden lifted from the shoulders of those less able to pay.

The cry of the wild cat corporation attorney that this law would drive capital away from Oregon, is now an empty echo, a paid wall that fell flat.

There are yet other tax laws that are needed in Oregon. One is a law taxing foreign stock ranging in Oregon during six months of the year and yielding an income to other states. The woolgrowers have recommended this law and it is no more a just measure to protect the sheep interests of the state from the encroachment of outside sheep than it is to the general tax payer whose burden could be further lightened by it.

The object of all tax laws is to distribute the burden equally and every kind of property, visible and invisible, foreign and domestic, must gradually be taxed as it enjoys the protection of the state.

The right to conduct a large business, and the protection of the laws of the state, are just as much taxable assets as the money invested in the business.

DENVER'S JUVENILE COURT.

Through a pamphlet designed as a part of the Denver exhibit of juvenile court work at the World's Fair and aptly entitled "The Problem of the Children," those interested in the question of the treatment of delinquent and incorrigible children at the hands of the law will find a report the most cheering.

In this resume of the fourth year of the juvenile court's jurisdiction in Colorado's capital city, written largely out of the personal experience of the presiding magistrate, the Hon. Ben B. Lindsey, will be found detailed account of the progress made by those devoted to the regeneration of wayward children under Colorado's well-advised laws.

Judge Lindsey gives the spirit of the juvenile court's aim in a nutshell, when he says that its efforts are not so much toward reforming as to forming of childish character, it is for the young incorrigible and not

against him that all efforts are directed and this fact is early impressed upon his understanding.

The judge himself doffs the stern majesty of the law in dealing with juvenile cases and brings himself down to the social level of "Boyville" by entering into the story of each offender's special wrongdoing with ever shown of personal interest and by giving advice rather than grave admonition.

To combat the negative influence of so many homes—too often the real cause for youthful delinquency—the Denver Juvenile Court has as adjunct special libraries and baths for all boys who are to take advantage of them; an allied private society obtains summer labor in the country for the probationaries; offenders under arrest cannot be taken to jail, but are temporarily lodged in a home-like detention house, provided by law.

Colorado has taken a long step in the right direction by placing responsibility for the delinquency in the child upon the parents and the home. By statute it has been enacted that parents and guardians against whom neglect or immoral influence displayed toward children can be proven, are themselves amenable to the law's punishments. Had we such a law in Oregon our own police court would find its labors lightened.

Portland business men seem to thoroughly grasp the momentous situation in which the Oregon metropolis is found at the beginning of the twentieth century. They seem to have that splendid foresight and business sagacity which is necessary in building for the future. The most momentous task before Portland is to lay the foundation today, for a city of one million inhabitants. This may seem to be a dream that should not be accorded serious thought, but the growth of cities and the multiplication of industries, when backed by such infinite resources as are found on the Pacific coast, are silent phenomena that steal into existence in a day. At the gateway to the Orient, Portland can hope in time to rival New York on the eastern coast. Irrigation of the idle lands and settlement of the now available areas will multiply the population of Portland so rapidly that the hundreds of thousands will soon stand up to the million mark. While the city is at the present stage, she should begin building for vaster ideas. Public parks, public utilities, public franchises—the very basis of a city's true progress, should now be fixed irrevocably in the possession of the people, so the expansion will not be so costly as if all these needed bounties must be purchased from private owners from time to time. Portland, with all her splendid dreams of future growth, cannot forego the giggies in store for her. She should begin building now for the million mark. Another half century will soon speed by.

The triumph of the LaFollette faction of the republican party of Wisconsin, instead of settling the fight in that state has only embittered it. Instead of bowing to the will of the people and the decision of the supreme court the Spooner faction has nominated ex-Governor Scofield on the "Stalwart" ticket, has defied the supreme court and will make a more bitter and relentless warfare than ever before on the LaFollette faction. S. A. Cook, who was the "stalwart" candidate for governor immediately resigned on hearing the decision of the supreme court making the LaFollette ticket the regular Wisconsin ticket. Infuriated by his defeat Spooner at once named Scofield and is out for victory at any cost. LaFollette is an admirable man. He is so near the Tom Johnson type that he has endeared himself to the people of Wisconsin. He owes his immense popularity to his persistent fight for higher railway values in assessments, for a primary nomination law, for a corporation tax, suppression of unjust combinations and mergers, and broader principles of civil service in public office. While he was turned down by the national republican convention, the decision of the supreme court is an index to popular feeling in Wisconsin. The supreme court will be drawn into the fight, it is thought.

CATTLE IN CUBA.

The experiment of reciprocity with Cuba has not turned out thus far very satisfactory to this country. It has permitted Cuba to find a ready sale in our markets for her goods, but our merchants are not doing much export business with the Cubans. Minister Squires is of the opinion that we do not make the kind of goods the Cubans want. Our trade in livestock is comparatively good, however, and situations show that the demand is growing. Cuba never had any good cattle of any class and even the poor ones were pretty generally killed off during the trouble with Spain. Within the past two years many well-bred cattle have been shipped from Texas to Cuba, and the country is being stocked up with a better class of beef and dairy cattle than it ever had before.—Chicago Livestock World.

CHINESE HARVESTERS.

A great land magnate of Southern China owns and farms four acres. His envious neighbors hold competences of one acre or bare pittance of an eighth of an acre; but Wong Poy is lucky. He has even been able to afford a wife. Two "hands" work for him in these harvest days, at the pittance wages of 20 cents a day.

The men squat, Oriental fashion, at their work, chopping down the stalks with swift stabs of their little sickle. Mrs. Wong Poy and her eldest, a daughter, follow behind and tie up the sheaves with wisps of straw.

The two cherished men-children sole hope of heaven for Wong Poy, play through the stubble and steal grains of wheat to chew. It is a matter for corporal punishment if they are caught in this, for in China every grain is numbered.

When the wheat is all in and has been beaten out on the threshing floors and stored in the well-guarded granary under Wong Poy's house, the family makes rejoicing.

There is a little mess of fish for the pot. A punk-stick and a cup of rice-brandy are offered up to the gods of grain, and before them Wong Poy, his hands tucked in his sleeves, bows to the ground while he recites prayers. Mrs. Wong Poy steals away from her husband to meet with the other village women and hold strange rites—wild, contritionate trances, with visions of the upper and nether worlds. So have their mothers done, time out of mind.—Everybody's Magazine.

FAME FOUNDED ON WHEAT.

Grain growing in the Pacific Northwest is a surprise to the entire agricultural world. That vast region, comprising a large part of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, known as the Inland Empire, is peculiarly adapted to the raising of all small grains, especially wheat, and this cereal has made the section famous. It has carried the name of Walla Walla to the uttermost ends of the earth, and wherever wheat is bought and sold the name of this prosperous little city is known. Cables from Liverpool—the world's market—carry the news everywhere that Walla Walla is making certain offerings.

Pendleton, Palouse, Lewiston, Moscow, La Grande, The Dalles, Heppner, Union, Colfax and other Inland Empire cities are also big wheat-buying and shipping centers. Considerable wheat is annually raised in the Willamette valley, but from the fact that it is the oldest part of the state, and more densely populated, the lands are more valuable for diversified farming.—B. M. Hall in Pacific Monthly.

BOWS TO THE WEST.

The average New Yorker is set in the conceit that life outside that city is hardly worth living. But the New Yorkers are eager to pay \$7 or \$8 a box for Idaho peaches; they send to the Columbia river for salmon for their big dinners; they can not find anywhere strawberries so luscious as those from Hood River; and Washington apples, peaches and grapes are in growing demand in the metropolis. We have, too, a better climate, better water, better air, and scenic glories that New York can not approach. They used to surpass us in oysters, but that advantage is no more since the day of Toke points and Nahcotta. Well, the New Yorker's infatuation for New York is a mystery that can not be explained.—Spokesman-Review.

HIS NATIVE CLIME.

I took a spin along the "Pike." Was very much surprised—My head was in a constant whirl. My brain was paralyzed. And every way I'd twist or turn New wonders did abound—But I would give a mile of them For a foot of Puget Sound! —Jo Kos in Seattle Star.

When a man calls himself a fool for having married, always insist that "you told him so." It ought to make him laugh himself into hysterics.

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