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Touch us gently, Time! We've not proud nor soaring wings; Our ambition, our content Lies in simple things! Humble voyagers are we O'er life's dim, unbounded sea; Seeking only some calm time, Touch us gently, gentle Time! —Barry Cornwall.

THE OCTOPUS AND THE COURTS.

The Standard Oil company has at last found a United States court which it can handle, it would seem. The federal court of appeals of Chicago, which yesterday set aside the verdict of Judge Landis in the Standard rebating cases, and remitted the \$29,000,000 fine imposed by Judge Landis upon the oil octopus, has shattered the faith of the people in the stability of the courts.

Judge Landis is an able judge. He knows the law as well as any of the judges in the court of appeals, and he found that the Standard Oil company was guilty, guilty as a dog and fined it accordingly. The evidence that the octopus had been rebating was conclusive. The crime was apparent. The fine was only in keeping with the crime.

Now comes this "great" court of appeals, one of the highest tribunals in the land, and sets aside the verdict, remits the fine and whitewashes this infernal corporation which is smothering honest industry to death in every part of the United States by its grossly criminal practices.

That the judicial system of the United States is a pitiable farce, is more and more apparent every day. Anarchy among the rich and powerful will increase the sentiment of anarchy among the common people. When the people see justice thwarted and just verdicts set aside in the cases of billion-dollar corporations, it lowers their respect for courts and codes and poisons their minds with the desire for revenge.

The court of appeals says that the Standard Oil corporation was not on trial in Judge Landis' court, that he did not have evidence to show that it was guilty and that the whole trial and fine of the octopus by Landis was a miscarriage of law.

The people do not believe this rot. They believe that Judge Landis is honest, capable and fearless and that the court of appeals is a truckling which is ready to prostitute itself before wealth on the slightest technicality.

If it is impossible to convict a criminal corporation, then the people will naturally say that revolution is the only cure for existing evils. The courts offer no redress and are the tools of the rich.

A TIP TO UMATILLA.

The East Oregonian is anxious to dispel the Umatilla idea that a tract of land varying in size from 640 to 2000 acres is necessary for the support of a single family which lives in town and sees the farm but a few times during the year.

With this aim in view, this paper publishes from time to time, the results of intensive farming in other sections of the country that our people may know what magnificent results are being obtained from small tracts of land elsewhere.

John McLennan of New York state, writes the following description of his farm to the Rural New Yorker, and as this same high state of cultivation and intensive farming may be reached in parts of Umatilla county, the article contains a direct tip to thoughtful farmers of this part of the state. Mr. McLennan says:

"I now maintain a herd of 43 pure-bred Holstein cattle and six horses on 56 acres, and produce not one dollar's worth of feed except a small amount

of balanced rations used to feed some of the cows while being officially tested for milk and butter fat.

"Next year I propose to increase my herd to 50 and expect to raise plenty to feed all. The only products sold from the farm are milk, stock and potatoes; of the latter I have usually from 300 to 500 bushels to sell, and I have sold \$2300 worth of pure bred stock since October 1, 1907. My milk brings me about \$100 per month, besides feeding whole milk to every calf born for at least six months.

"Of course this system of farming eliminates all pasturage and requires two, and sometimes three crops from the same land each season. The alfalfa, of course, produces three crops and we generally manage to get two and sometimes three crops for soiling purposes.

"All animals are fed in the stable the year round, with outdoor exercise every day, and all manure is drawn and spread upon the land every day, and it may readily be imagined that the land is rapidly increasing in fertility."

WHAT THE PEOPLE DID.

Twelve laws and constitutional amendments enacted by the people at the election June 1, have been in effect since Tuesday, June 23, when Governor Chamberlain issued a proclamation declaring them to be a part of the laws of the state.

Taking them in the order that they were promulgated by the secretary of state, it will be seen that the time for holding the general elections will be on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, instead of the first Monday in June.

Consequently the next general election will be held in November of 1910. By reason of this change primary elections for the nomination of state and county officers will in the future be held in September, the primary law fixing the time for holding the primaries at the 45th day before any general election.

By virtue of the same vote of the people the University of Oregon is safe in its appropriation of \$125,000 for 1907 and of the same amount for each year thereafter.

It is now possible for all public officials who are not doing their duty under the law and custom to be recalled by the voters who are disgruntled over their failure to fulfill the oaths taken. Public interest is on edge waiting to see which part of the state the recall will strike first.

The statute instructing the members of the legislature to vote for that United States senatorial candidate who receives the highest number of votes at the general election is also a law. It will not be binding upon the members of the legislature elected in June.

The corrupt practice act is now a law and from this time on it is illegal to offer a cigar to prospective voters and political supporters. In fact, it is illegal to do anything except silently cast a ballot in the box or at least nearly as close drawn a condition as that.

Hereafter campaigns are to be conducted through the secretary of state and state printer so far as advertising is concerned. The state printer is to make pamphlets putting forth the claims of the various candidates as to why they should be elected. The cost of pamphlets is to be borne by candidates who are to pay from \$50 to \$100 a page for their space.

The secretary of state will mail the pamphlets to the registered voters a few days before the primaries and another set shortly before the general election.

Grand juries have come back to the people of the state and the district attorney of any district is not empowered to sit as a grand jury from this time on. All indictments are now to be returned by juries and the filing of information on the complaint of the district attorney is a thing of the past.

Hood River county is in good working order and is running under the administration of a set of officials appointed by the governor not long ago.

In the Pendleton Tribune of this morning was a clipping from the London Globe including a verse from the Bible, purporting to contain every letter of the alphabet. The East Oregonian regrets to be compelled to question the eyesight, understanding and wisdom of such papers as the Tribune and the Globe, but this verse has been prayerfully studied all day today and the faltering understanding of the East Oregonian fails to discover the letter "y" anywhere in the verse. The selection is taken from the 21st verse, 17th chapter of the Book of Ezra and is as follows: "And I, even I, Artaxerxes, the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers

which are beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of God of heaven, shall require of you, it shall be done speedily." The verse does not contain "every letter," and therefore the quotation and statement are incorrect.

BIGGEST WOOL SALE.

The largest sale of wool ever made in America and the largest transaction between a grower and purchaser in modern times was the 2,000,000 pound transaction between Charlie Bair, of Billings, Mont., and Silberman Bros., of Chicago. Mr. Bair was a delegate to the recent Republican convention, and quickly accepted the sixteen cent offer made by Chicago's big wool house.

One million pounds of this wool represented Bair's own clip, and the other million pounds the wool grown by companies in which Mr. Bair is largely interested. It is a notable sale in every respect. It is said that the Bair clip is the finest in Montana this year.

To transport this wool will require 100 cars with the average capacity of 20,000 pounds per car. Chicago is big in all things and Silberman Bros., have certainly carried off the palm for Chicago's wool market. The payment of \$320,000 for a single purchase of wool is no small financial transaction.

The "Boston Johnnies," who have scorned the "little provincial Chicago wool market," will please sit up and take notice.—American Sheep Breeder.

HOW TO SEED ALFALFA.

There are three sure conditions to a successful stand and crop of alfalfa. One of them is a preparatory crop of cow peas, another is a preparatory crop of sweet clover, and the other is a nurse crop of rape from a seeding of about one pound of rape per acre sown broadcast after the alfalfa seedling. The latter never fails to bring a good stand. The preparatory crops mentioned furnish the perfect inoculation of the soil on which a practically sure seeding of alfalfa is predicted. A final condition to success is a clean perfectly prepared seed bed. Then sow in July or early in August and you may stand still and see the glory of the Lord.—American Farmer.

A PROPHECY.

Freedom's established reign; cities and men, Numerous as sands upon the ocean shore, And empires rising where the sun descends! The Ohio soon shall glide by many a town Of note; and when the Mississippi's stream, By forests shaded, now runs sweeping on, Nations shall grow, and states, not less in fame Than Greece and Rome of old! We, too, shall boast Our Scipios, Solons, Catos—sages, chiefs, That in the lapse of time yet dormant lie, Waiting the joyous hour of life and light. —James Freneau in 1771.

Library Plans.

Architectural plans have arrived in Baker City and this evening there will be a meeting of the city council to determine upon details prior to beginning erection of the library building, says the Baker City Herald. It is understood that Mr. Carnegie has arranged for the money necessary to build the library and as soon as the city is ready the work will begin. There has been much comment on the new structure and Baker City people take kindly, it is thought, to the original plans suggested. A firm from Boise secured the contract and they will probably be represented this evening at the council meeting which is called for this single purpose.

The Modesty of Women

Naturally makes them shrink from the indelicate questions, the obnoxious examinations, and unpleasant local treatments, which some physicians consider essential in the treatment of diseases of women. Yet, if help can be had, it is better to submit to this ordeal than let the disease grow and spread. The trouble is that so often the woman undergoes all the annoyance and shame for nothing. Thousands of women who have been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription write in appreciation of the cure which dispenses with the examinations and local treatments. There is no other medicine so sure and safe for delicate women as "Favorite Prescription." It cures debilitating drains, irregularity and female weakness. It always helps. It almost always cures. It is strictly non-alcoholic, non-secret, all its ingredients being printed on its bottle-wrapper; contains no deleterious or habit-forming drugs, and every native medicinal root entering into its composition has the full endorsement of those most eminent in the several schools of medical practice. Some of these numerous and strongest of professional endorsements of its ingredients, will be found in a pamphlet wrapped around the bottle, also in a booklet mailed free on request, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. These professional endorsements should have far more weight than any amount of the ordinary lay, or non-professional testimonials.

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NOW'S THE TIME. Now's the time for thinkin' of the cool old country ranch— Warm enough for wadin' in the rippled, runnin' branch; For thinkin' of the meadows—the lazy, daisy dells— To rest up in the shadows, in the hearin' o' the bells! Cattle bells that tinkle 'Cross meadows, clover-deep, Sing-song like, until you dream An' hear 'em in your sleep! Hot enough for sippin' from the city's dust an' heat To feel the dew-drenched grass blades a stickin' of your feet, An' tilt the mossy buckets of shady country wells, Where the watermelon's coolin'—in the hearin' of the bells!

Cattle bells that tinkle 'Cross meadows, clover-deep, Sing-song like, until you dream An' hear 'em in your sleep! —Atlanta Constitution.

BATTLE-GROUND. Evil and Good and Love and Hate And all the hosts they wrestle for— Forward and back and early and late They wage their immemorial war; With waste and wrath and weep and wailing Like hard masters, greedy of toll, Across the ancient battle-ground, Which is, alas! the human soul.

And sometimes, in a quick despair, Half-welcoming the alien power, The bright fields darken, dulls the air, And the old enemy takes his hour. But oh, the joy—the joy of the time When Love comes back and brings the day, Sweet winds, a promise of grain and blooms Where late the storm-scarred meadows lay. —Mildred McNeal-Sweeney.

CONCRETE FOR BOATS. It is predicted that the use of concrete in boat building will largely take the place of iron and steel. Large boats of reinforced concrete have been built already in Italy, and five of these, of 120 tons and more, are in commission in the Italian navy. The first of these boats, a 120-ton barge, was built in 1906, on the plans of Mr. Gabellini, an Italian who has

Pendleton's Passenger Time Card. Arriving Pendleton O. R. & N. Leaving Pendleton. Portland-Passenger 4:10 p. m. Portland Passenger 8:00 a. m. Chicago-Portland Special 4:40 p. m. Chicago-Portland Special 12:25 p. m. Portland-Chicago Express 2:55 a. m. Portland-Chicago Express 1:05 a. m. O. R. & N. WASHINGTON DIVISION. Spokane Passenger 4:30 p. m. Spokane Passenger 12:30 p. m. Walla Walla Passenger 10:50 a. m. Walla Walla Passenger 4:50 p. m. NORTHERN PACIFIC. Pasco Passenger 11:30 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. Pasco Passenger 4:30 p. m. UMATILLA CENTRAL. Pilot Rock Passenger 3:15 p. m. Pilot Rock Passenger 8:45 a. m.

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