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I can feel no pride, but pity For the burdens the rich endure; There is nothing sweet in the city But the patient lives of the poor. Oh, the little hands too skillful And the child-mind choked with weeks, The daughter's heart grown willful And the father's heart that bleeds. No, no! From the street's rude bustle, From trophies of mart and stage, I would fly to the woods' low rustle And the meadow's kindly page. Let me dream as of old by the river And be loved for the dream always, For a dreamer lives forever, And a little dies in a day. —John Boyle O'Reilly.

THE PROHIBITION PLATFORM.

Aside from its demand for the prohibition of the manufacture of liquors, the national prohibition platform contains some excellent doctrine and is worthy of notice by the thinking voters of the United States.

This platform grapples fearlessly with the big issues which are engaging the attention of such men as President Roosevelt, Senator La Follette, Governors Hughes and Folk and other reform leaders in both of the old parties.

The platform in full, is as follows: The prohibition party of the United States, expressing gratitude to Almighty God for the victories of our principles in the past, for encouragement at present, and for confidence of early and triumphant success in the future, makes the following declaration of principles and pledges their enactment into law when placed in power:

- 1. The submission by congress to the several states of an amendment to the federal constitution prohibiting the manufacture, sale, importation, exportation or transportation of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes. 2. The immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic for beverage purposes in the District of Columbia, in the territories and all places over which the national government has jurisdiction, the repeal of the internal revenue tax on alcoholic liquors and the prohibition of the interstate traffic therein. 3. The election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. 4. Equitable graduated income and inheritance taxes. 5. The establishment of postal savings banks and the guaranty of deposits in banks. 6. The regulation of all corporations doing an interstate commerce business. 7. The creation of a permanent tariff commission. 8. The strict enforcement of the law instead of the official tolerance and practical license of the social evil which prevails in many of our cities, with its unspeakable traffic in girls. 9. Uniform marriage and divorce laws. 10. An equitable and constitutional employees' liability act. 11. Court review of postoffice department decisions. 12. The prohibition of child labor in mines, workshops and factories. 13. Legislation basing suffrage only upon intelligence and ability to read and write the English language. 14. The preservation of the mineral and forest resources of the country and the improvement of the highways and waterways. Believing in the righteousness of our cause and in the final triumph of our principles and convinced of the unwillingness of the republican and democratic parties to deal with these issues, we invite to full party fellowship all citizens who are with us agreed.

ARE WE TOO PROSPEROUS?

Is Pendleton too prosperous? Is there actually too much idle money in her banks? Are we not suffering from fatty degeneration, obesity, plethors? Such would seem to be the

case, judging from the following outside editorial view, coming from the Oregon Daily Journal.

That Pendleton has "slathers" of money no one denies. That she is able to do anything which she might desire to do in a financial way, no one questions. That she could with equal ease and grace finance a vinegar factory or a system of electric lines, is admitted by everybody who has come into contact with the live wires of the Pendleton spirit, but that we are doing none of these things at present, must be admitted.

It may be pertinent and timely to ask why we are doing none of these things? Why are several millions of idle money suffering from "dry rot" in Umatilla county banks?

The Journal says of Pendleton's condition: One Pendleton bank, in a recent statement, shows it has of cash on hand, \$143,049.71 and "due from other banks," \$371,381.84, or over \$500,000, while carrying total deposits of \$1,298,982.12.

This is an average showing of the banks in all parts of Oregon, a plethora of cash and conservatism, an inactivity on the part of those who have money in the bank, a disposition to keep from doing something where-in there is "some little risk," as well as some little energy and enterprise required.

In this same town of Pendleton, where there are three banks, all entrusted with liberal funds by their depositors, a well advertised woolen mill is closed for want of someone with a little energy, enterprise and money to run it, and there is talk of tearing this mill down and moving it to some place where the requisite resources of operation and successful conduct can be assembled.

While this takes place a goodly number of Pendleton people, who possess these deposits in their home banks, will yawn and wearily wonder where they will be able to loan a little more money at a high rate of interest with least risk, and with no need of alertness, energy or enterprise on their part to keep it employed.

And here one has a clear idea of a community disease known as "dry rot," brought about by accumulation of money or wealth by a few individuals through growth of population and rising land values, rather than through the more legitimate avenues of hard work and industry, coupled with enterprise and pride in the home place to keep it in the forefront of progress.

Those persons who drift into the contented zone of living off of ground rent and interest soon contract the malady of "indolence and don't care" and become more and more burdens to the rest of the community lacking in civic virtues and that public spirit which strengthens the home, builds up the town and spreads the fame of the county and state.

In short, the interest and ground rent eaters, so long as they are without other "visible means of support," are "deadheads" on the voyage of earthly existence, and make the lives of any number of other people harder and more barren in consequence. Wake up, keep a-goin'!

STATEMENT NO. 37.

Over in the state of Washington it is not "statement No. 1" or "statement No. 2," but it is statement No. 37, and it is causing a "devil of a row," too, in state politics.

The new primary law pledge called statement No. 37, binding candidates for legislative offices to support the party choice of their constituents for United States senators and this is causing more confusion than statement No. 1 or the popular choice ever caused in Oregon.

In Washington the democrats count for nothing and the entire senatorial fight is confined to rival republican factions. So the chief point at issue is whether legislators will recognize the party choice for senator, or enter a free-for-all fight, with the big sack and the machine cat-o-nine-tails as the chief factors in the selection of a senator.

The rival factions would much rather have a free-for-all fight and are afraid candidates will subscribe to statement No. 37 to support the choice of the party voters of the state. Neither Ankeny or Jones care to trust the people in the senatorial election and so both factions are secretly arrayed against the party choice, and wish to settle the matter in the old way in the legislature.

THE MARVEL OF THE BISCUIT.

Over at Waltsburg this week a test of rapid harvesting was made by the Preston-Parton Milling company, and it required just 22 minutes to cut, thresh, grind and bake into biscuits a small tract of wheat. From standing grain to hot biscuits in less than half an hour!

But we have become so accustomed to marvels that we marvel no more!

Only a few years ago it was weeks between the threshing and the baking. It is only a generation ago when our grandfathers and grandmothers cradled their wheat, beat it out with flail, carried it to mill on horseback, with a stone in one end o' the sack to balance it, and waited their turn

for days at a rude water mill for their flour.

Now you can drive into a wheat field and eat the wheat that is standing all about you, within 30 minutes. The process of harvesting is but little short of miraculous, when compared to that of 30 years ago.

A truck gardener at Lewiston sold \$500 worth of cucumbers from one acre of irrigated land. The same enormous yield could be secured from any acre in the Hermiston or Echo district where water has been placed upon the land. Why are there not golden promises here for men with small means? What ordinary workman in Umatilla county could not seed one or two acres to cucumbers any year? Some of you fellows who are kicking about being forced to leave the county, get busy.

What art you doing to make the Umatilla-Morrow county fair a success this year? It is your fair and if it is not a success every individual farmer in the county will be responsible. Every time a Pendleton man comes back from the mountains where he enjoyed drinking the elixir of mountain springs, a new convert to a gravity system of city water for Pendleton is gained.

YOU AND I.

You and I are only pebbles on the shore; Just a wavelet's hurrying touch and all is o'er. Then beneath the effacing sands We fold up our empty hands And the place that knew us knows us now no more.

You and I are only rain drops on the grass; Just an instant gleaming, e'er a zephyr pass; Then the shaken reed is bent By a gust of Fortune sent, And the world forgets we lived (or loved, alas!)

You and I are only painted picture toys, Tossed and tumbled by the Fates, like fretful boys; Scarred and soiled in soul and brain— All our castles reared in vain— And the rainbows that we follow, but decoys!

You and I are only struggling mortal things, With the thralldom of the earth upon our wings; Beating blindly through the gloom 'Twixt the cradle and the tomb— Jostling in the utter darkness—slaves and kings. —BERT HUFFMAN.

WEARYIN' FOR YOU.

Just a-wearyin' for you— Everything a-feeling blue. Wishing for you, wondering when You'll be coming home again. Restless!—Don't know what to do— Just a-wearyin' for you.

Room's so lonesome with your chair Empty—by the fireplace there— Just can't stand the sight of it! Go out doors and roam a bit, But the woods are lonesome, too— Just a-wearyin' for you!

Morning comes. The birds awake— They are singing for your sake! But there's sadness in their notes That come thrilling from their throats! Seem to feel your absence, too— They're just a-wearyin' for you!

Evening comes. I miss you more When the dark gloom's in the door; Seems just like you ought to be There—to open it for me! Latch goes tinkling—thrills me through— Sets me a-wearyin' for you!

Blossoms falling on the ground Softly, like your footsteps, sound, And the blossoms on flower and tree Only paint your face for me! Fairer when your face I knew— Just a-wearyin' for you!

Just a-wearyin' for you; All the time a-feeling blue; Wishing for you—wondering when You'll be coming home again! Restless!—Don't know what to do— Just a-wearyin' for you. —Atlanta Constitution.

New Cure for Baldness.

A report from Youngstown, Ohio, says: "A former north of this city has a new growth of hair on his heretofore bald head. It came about this way: Several weeks ago the farmer went fishing and was so interested that he forgot his bare head. The sun blistered his scalp so badly that the skin came off and when the new skin came on a luxuriant growth of hair came with it. Dr. Raiff of this city, vouches for the truth of his story."

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WHY THE EDITOR SWORE.

With a terrific cold in his head, And the eyelids heavy and sore, The editor sat in a broken chair And bitterly, earnestly swore.

A youth had dropped in with a poem, A man was there with a dun, A chap had entered to tell him How the paper ought to be run.

An irate subscriber had told him That his sheet wasn't fit to be read, While another had carefully promised To punch the editor's head.

The foreman was yelling for copy, And the wind blowing in at the door And this, with a few other reasons, Is why the editor swore.

But the angel who took it to heaven, Recorded his verdict there: "The jury will find in the present case 'Twas a justifiable swear." —Rochester Star.

W. J. Bryan has publicly announced through the columns of the Commoner that he will have nothing to do with the editorship of that publication until after the election. The profits of the paper will also be contributed to the democratic campaign fund.

SEA SONGS.

When the day is dying, And the curlews' crying Comes softly as an echo from the far white strand, It seems I hear a calling Out where the dusk is falling, Out where the waves are rolling o'er the long, low sand.

I do not heed the calling Out where the dusk is falling, For I know well the dead can not come back to me, Yet when the day is dying, Toned with the curlews' crying, It seems I hear a once loved voice call from the dark, cold sea. —Hallett Abend in Spokane Chronicle.

The Washington state railroad commission has just issued orders requiring the Great Northern to erect stations and provide caretakers at Irby, Lamona, Waukon, Krupp, Winchester and Bossburg and to install sidetracks at Winchester. It has also ordered the Northern Pacific to change its station at Ritville so as to provide for two waiting rooms and the installation of modern and sanitary toilets. Tomorrow may be able to take care of itself, but it isn't likely that it will bother about taking care of you.

WOMAN'S NATURE Is to love children, and no home can be happy without them, yet the ordeal through which the expectant mother must pass usually is so full of suffering and dread that she looks forward to the hour with apprehension. Mother's Friend, by its penetrating and soothing properties, allays nausea, nervousness, unpleasant feelings, and so prepares the system for the ordeal that she passes through the event with but little suffering, as numbers have testified and said, "it is worth its weight in gold." \$1.00 per bottle of druggists. Book of valuable information mailed free. THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. Atlanta, Ga. MOTHER'S FRIEND

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