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THE BATTLEFIELD. A mother's heart is a battlefield. A mother's heart is a nest. Where love leans down with feathery shield. And lips that sing to rest. A mother's heart is the plain where meet. Through all her days of life. The legion of the childhood feet. The glittering hosts of strife. -Folger McKinley.

LOOKS GOOD FOR OREGON.

The Commercial National bank of Chicago has just issued its annual bulletin on the crop and business condition of the country and in that statement Oregon occupies a conspicuous place among the list of "well-to-do" states.

Oregon was injured perhaps less by the flurry of last fall than any other western state and today there are no visible scars left from the alleged panic which shook the foundation of eastern financial institutions. The report on Oregon is as follows:

Bank deposits are not materially less than at the same time last year, with about the same demand for loans except in the sheep-raising sections of the state, where the demand is greater, owing to the decrease in the price of wool. What little commercial paper was bought by Oregon banks proved satisfactory during the trouble last fall. As for the smaller banks the usual time for buying being after October, there was little falling due in that month.

One of our correspondents reports that at the present time they are carrying a quarter of their loans in commercial paper, the larger portion of which will be due in time to provide ample means for moving the crops. Currency shipments for crop-moving purposes are small and will be supplied almost exclusively from Portland. There is practically no demand for money to be used in moving crops.

There appears to be little interest in the formation of a currency association by the larger banks of the state under the new currency law and it will be impossible to form one without them.

As to general business conditions, while the volume is somewhat less than last year, prospects are very bright and business is generally good, showing a slow but steady increase. Merchants' collections are fair to good and trade has fallen off less than 16 per cent in comparison with last year.

As is the case with Washington, lumbering is the largest single industry and has been seriously affected by the recent panic. Prices, however, are firmer and prospects are somewhat better. Some of the men thrown out of work by the closing of the saw mills have left the state, and the balance are employed in the fields. In spite of this, in some agricultural communities there is a scarcity of labor.

Building, as a whole, shows an increase over previous years, and farm and fruit lands seems to be advancing in price. One of our correspondents in Portland reports that city real estate is active.

As usual in election years, there is some uneasiness over the political situation, as the wool industry would probably be affected by any change in the tariff.

The opinion appears to be unanimous that the outlook is quite favorable, and as a lot of new territory will be opened up by the completion of the North Bank railroad and the railroad to Lewiston, Idaho, there appears to be foundation for this belief.

WILL ANYBODY RESIGN?

The Oregon Daily Journal says of the subject of Statement No. 1 republicans resigning from the legisla-

ture rather than support Governor Chamberlain for senator, as suggested by the Pendleton Tribune:

Editor Geer's explanation of what he really said is a scientific case of distinction without a difference. What he says he said was, in effect, that he did not advise Statement No. 1 legislators to resign, but that it would be eminently proper for them to do so.

It is now in order for Mr. Geer to explain his explanation. If ashamed of what he says he didn't say, why is he not equally ashamed of what he says he said.

If one is culpable, and by his desire to get from under it Mr. Geer admits it is, the other is equally so.

He simply proposed a course of dishonor to honorable men, and for what? He suggested that they engage in a treachery as sheer as that of the man who was a traitor to the patriot cause in the revolution and who later died expatriated in England, loathed alike by Englishmen and Americans.

A resignation or other subterfuge for defeat of that which a majority of the voters have ordained shall be, is as treacherous as to enter the legislature and vote against the candidate selected by the people.

That course, pronounced as proper by Mr. Geer, who once stood in the legislature and called upon republican legislators to vote for him after he had received the party vote under the Mays law, is a heinous offense against decent citizenship, with monumental inconsistency added.

Coming from a man of Mr. Geer's intelligence, there is no charitable view to take of it, nor possibly of condoning it. It is folly only equaled by Mr. Geer's proposition to have statement No. 1 the subject of a vote in November, a suggestion that because of its weirdness could come from no other man in the state than Mr. Geer.

Three times the people have voted on statement No. 1 within a few months. They voted in April at the primaries, and the verdict was pronounced for it. They voted again in June on the subject, and it was not only for the statement, but to make it compulsory, and that by an overwhelming verdict.

To have a vote on it in November would be quite as nonsensical as to have the people of Umatilla vote again on whether Mr. Geer or Mr. Ellis should go to congress.

HISTORY OF THE COLUMBIA.

Every lover of the west will await with pleasure the coming of Prof. W. D. Lyman's history of the great Columbia river, the river highway, the gateway of the inland empire.

Picturesque, rich in history, garrulous with natural scenery, unsurpassed in the world, environed with romance, pathos, tragedy, a theme for poets, an inspiration for the orator and author, the Columbia river is the richest treasure of the west, and one of the most interesting rivers of the world.

Along its banks one of the great struggles with savagery that has been recorded anywhere was fought for forty years. If it could tell of the tragedies that it has looked upon, if it could speak the prayers of dying men, murdered in the inhospitable wild before civilization came, if it could tell the heart-breaking anguish of pioneer mothers who followed its course with their little broods, through savagery and peril, if it could recount the lone battles that have been fought with barbarism along its entire length, what a thrilling chapter it could write in human history!

But Prof. Lyman will catch a glimpse of this vital history in his coming work, and although he may give a more prominent place to the history of navigation and attempted navigation of the Columbia, yet through the warp and woof of his story will run the golden thread of romance and human interest.

THE LAW WILL PREVAIL.

In spite of the constant tearing down by a few men, the law will prevail. The world is against the lawbreaker. Society is not on the side of the criminal, no matter for his boasts.

The prohibition law which has been enacted by the people of about 20 counties in Oregon will prevail; there are not enough lawbreakers to overbalance the law lovers. The sovereign people who enacted this law, can enact one still more stringent and make it still more dangerous for men to violate it.

And it is so with every right movement in human history. There may be obstacles; there may be men who are willing to tear down society; there may be criminals who boast of throwing off the yoke of restraint and there may be men who will attempt to debauch and corrupt and demoralize the force of the law, but going

straight ahead through the fabric of human progress, is the dynamic power of law and righteousness and honor, and the right will prevail.

The same sturdy people who enacted the prohibition law will enforce it, and woe to those who wilfully violate it from day to day. If a jail sentence of from 10 to 30 days is not sufficient to insure law observance, the people will perhaps make it a year when they are forced to modify the law.

Every Pendleton family which can possibly get away should go to Freewater on September 2, to attend the "Peach Day" exercises. It will be necessary to go up on the Walla Walla passenger train on Tuesday evening in order to attend the exercises, as the train leaving here at noon will not reach Freewater in time. It is hoped that Pendleton is well represented at this event this year, as Freewater has made excellent arrangements for the day and a good time will be assured.

WHAT IS SUNSHINE?

A little gold amidst the gray— That's sunshine; A little brightness on the way— That's sunshine; A little spreading of the blue, A little widening of the view, A little heaven breaking through— That's sunshine.

A little looking for the light— That's sunshine; A little patience through the night— That's sunshine; A little bowing of the will, A little resting on the hill— A little standing very still— That's sunshine.

A little smiling through the tears— That's sunshine; A little faith behind the fears— That's sunshine; A little folding of the hands, A little yielding of demands, A little grace to understand— That's sunshine!

ALIEN.

When twilight comes, And all the fluffy, twittering birds are cuddled in their homes, I wonder if the cuckoo's child Feels strange among the rest, And longs for her own mother's wing in her own mother's nest.

When midnight falls Upon the glooming branches which flank the forest walls, I think the baby owl who tries To flutter helpless wings Must tremble at those other nests so filled with sleeping things.

When morning breaks And all the radiant summer world of tree and hilltop wakes, I know that where the tiny roads Beneath the grass-roots run, A little eyelless mole is sick with longing for the sun, -Pemberton Glinther in Lippincott's.

EYES AND THEIR MEANING.

Wide open eyes are said to be indicative of rashness. Side-glancing eyes are always to be distrusted. The downcast eye has in all ages been typical of modesty. The proper distance between the eyes is the width of one eye. People of melancholy temperament rarely have clear blue eyes. Eyes with long sharp corners indicate great discernment and penetration.

The white of the eye showing beneath the iris is indicative of nobility of character. When the upper lid covers half or more of the pupil the indication is of cool deliberation. Gray eyes turning green in anger or excitement are indicative of a choleric temperament.

An eye the upper lid of which passes, horizontally across the pupil indicates mental ability. Unsteady eyes, rapidly jerking from side to side, are frequently indicative of an unsettled mind.

Eyes that are wide apart are said by physiognomists to indicate great intelligence and a tenacious memory. Eyes placed close together in the head are said to indicate pettiness of disposition, jealousy and a turn for fault-finding.

Wide open, staring eyes in weak countenances indicate jealousy, bigotry intolerance and pertinacity without any firmness. When the under arch of the upper eyelid is a perfect semicircle it is indicative of goodness, but also of timidity, sometimes approaching cowardice.—Dundee Advertiser.

AN ESTIMATE OF T. T. GEER.

T. T. Geer, who the people of Oregon honored by electing him governor of this state, is now advising the statement No. 1 republican members of the legislature to dishonor themselves and flaunt the people who elected them, by either refusing to vote for the people's choice for United States senator, or resign. Geer is like the "friend" appealed to by the despondent man and whose advice was to put his property in his wife's name and thus prevent the collection of honest debts or to commit suicide. -Wallawa News-Record (Rep.)

Lipton's attempts to "lift the cup" have been emphasized, in a negative way, by the results of the Olympic games. This is not crowing. It is simply the echo of Great Britain's megaphone sigh, "What's the Use?"

Probably all men are liars but don't give them specific information on the subject.

S.S.S. A CURE FOR RHEUMATISM

Rheumatism is caused by an excess of uric acid in the blood, which is carried through the circulation to all portions of the system. Every muscle, nerve, bone and joint absorbs the acid, pain-producing poison, causing aches, inflammation, stiffness and other well known symptoms of the disease. Permanent relief from the pains and discomfort of Rheumatism cannot be expected from the use of liniments, plasters, and other external treatment which does not reach the blood, where the cause is located. Such measures give temporary relief, but in order to cure Rheumatism the uric acid and inflammatory poison must be expelled from the blood. S. S. S. cures Rheumatism because it is a perfect blood purifier. It goes down into the circulation, neutralizes the uric acid and drives it from the blood. S. S. S. expels the irritating, inflammatory matter which is causing the pain, swelling and other discomfort, enriches the weak, sour blood, and permanently cures Rheumatism. In all forms of Rheumatism, whether acute or chronic, S. S. S. will be found a safe, vegetable remedy, possessing the properties needed to cure, and at the same time a medicine that builds up the entire system by its fine tonic effects. Book on Rheumatism and any medical advice free to all who write. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

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There are 16 miles of plumbing, 25 miles of steam heating pipe and 95 miles of conduit. There are 39 elevators, and one round trip in all of them from the lowest basement to the top story represents a "Journey of 3 1/2 miles.

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half a million people will enter it every day. The force of employes, including engineers, firemen, electricians, elevator boys and janitors, will number 150.—Technical World.

BABYLON.

Like magic architects the winds have made Or radiant clouds a city in the air. Temples and citadels and gardens fair,

With all the show of pompous art displayed; Burnished and dyed with every fleeting shade

Of sunset—gold and rose and emerald rare— Until a phantom Babylon is there, A crown of blooming stars upon her head.

The tangled constellations wane and die, The witchery of waking dawn entwines

A wreath of primrose glory in the sky And all the Orient incarnadines— Lo, Babylon has vanished with the night

And whither have the builders taken flight! -Wm. F. McCormick.

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