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What is the real good? I asked in a musing mood. Order, said the law court; Knowledge, said the school; Truth, said the wise man; Pleasure, said the fool; Love, said the maiden; Beauty, said the page; Freedom, said the dreamer; Home, said the seer; Fame, said the soldier; Equity, said the seer. Spake my heart full sadly, 'The answer is not here.' Then within my bosom softly this I heard: 'Each heart holds the secret; Kindness is the word.'

TAKE YOUR CHOICE.

Tomorrow the people of the United States will elect a president. They will be performing a high duty. The right of suffrage is a sacred thing. It was won for the American people by the blood of revolutionary heroes who held that all men should be free and equal before the law. Those men laid down their lives to throw off the yoke of royal tyranny. It is up to the citizens of today to see that the government is continued as it was handed down to them. To see that the republic does not degenerate into an oligarchy of wealth and privilege.

The man who votes tomorrow should act for what he believes is the general good. He should vote wisely, unselfishly and fearlessly.

In this campaign the East Oregonian has favored the candidacy of William J. Bryan. It does so now and urges his election for the following reasons:

Bryan is the representative of those who would conduct the government in the interests of all the people rather than in behalf of the plutocratic element that is now actually, though not nominally, in control.

Bryan is the liberal candidate for president. He is the candidate of those who believe in reform and political progress. His opponent is the standpat candidate.

Bryan favors a revision of the tariff in the interest of all the people—not in the interest of those who are profiting by its inequities.

Taft favors a revision of the tariff by its "friends."

Bryan favors the direct election of senators, a reform that will do more than anything else to free the United States from the corrupt and vicious ring that now dominates congress in the interest of the trusts rather than of the people.

The republican party opposes this reform.

Bryan favors the enactment of a national law that will apply the principle of insurance to bank deposits and thereby protect the savings of the people and put an end to financial panics.

The republican party opposes this reform.

The democratic party has published the contributions to its campaign fund. The republican party has refused to do so and the plain inference is that Taft has received financial aid from corporations that hope to secure selfish legislation in the event of republican success.

Bryan would liberalize the supreme court or in other words would appoint judges who are free from corporate influences.

Taft, if he follows the course predicted by his friends, would appoint men like Ethu Root who have posed their lives as corporation attorneys.

Bryan favors a navy large enough to defend the Pacific as well as the Atlantic coast.

Bryan and the democratic party favor granting independence to the Philippine islands and the withdraw-

al of the United States from its policy of imperialism.

The republican party favors expansion which means going deeper into the orient, a course from which nothing but peril and evil could result.

Bryan favors the exclusion of the Japanese and in everywhere upholding the supremacy of the white race.

Taft and the republican party would place Africans and Asiatics upon the same level with American citizenship. They would force the cities of the Pacific coast to educate Japanese children in white schools in spite of the federal constitution and the laws of God.

Gentlemen, your choice.

VOTE WITHOUT FEAR.

An appeal to the fears of the people has been the feature of the republican campaign in this county. The stock argument in favor of Taft has been that the election of Bryan would mean a return of the hard times that existed 15 years ago.

But how Bryan's election would create hard times they do not show. They cannot. They have no reason to offer. They merely wave the red flag in hopes of frightening the uninformed and the prejudiced into supporting Taft.

Should Bryan be chosen president there would not be the slightest reason for a panic or business depression. The president is the executive. He does not make laws. Bryan could not change the tariff no matter how much it might need revising. Congress must do that and it will still be hopelessly standpat.

Bryan's election would simply mean that the people would have a president who is known to be true to the interests of all the people. He would desire reforms and would do all in his power to bring them about. He would be independent of the oligarchical clique that is now running the government in the interests of a privileged few. He would be a check upon congress.

Taft might be such a man also. But he has never been tried in the fire as Bryan has been. The people don't know Taft. Then he would not be in a position to do good work should he wish to. His party is bound hand and foot to the interests.

It is through Senator Aldrich, Speaker Cannon and their republican trust-owned followers that the interests rule. Taft as president could not denounce these men. Roosevelt has not dared expose them. Had he done so he would have driven his party from power. But Bryan would be wholly independent of these men. If he found them to be traitors to the common good he could brand them as such. The country would then do the rest.

But do not vote against Bryan for fear of hard times. That is a bugaboo put forth to catch the ignorant and the prejudiced. The fact that it has been used here so strongly is an insult to the intelligence of the people of Umatilla county. If the voters do right they will vote for Bryan and thereby show that they are not the asses that some republicans think they are. Vote as you believe—with- out fear, regardless of buncombe and regardless of the party whip.

HOPE AHEAD.

The people of Weston are now planning to enlarge their gravity water system so as to make it adequate for the increasing needs of the town. The improvement seems to be needed and it will probably be voted.

This news from Weston is significant. It shows that Weston and that portion of the county is forging ahead despite the fact that during the past few years conditions have been unfavorable for growth.

Like other portions of Umatilla county Weston and Athena have suffered from the consolidation of farms. The passing of many wheat ranches into the hands of a few has cut down the population of the country and it has taken the life out of the towns.

But there is a star of hope and it is growing brighter every month. Intensified farming promises to break up the big ranches by making the land too valuable to be tilled as is now the custom.

Then an interurban line is coming through the heart of the Athena-Weston country. When it comes it will revolutionize that section as well as Pendleton. The land along the line will spring to life. Along Wild Horse, Pine and Dry creeks there will be scores of little homes where there are now but a few.

The thing for the people of Weston and Athena to do is to get into the harness and work for the development of the country in that vicinity. Urge farmers to try better methods. Ask them to raise Canadian field peas or some other suitable crop instead of summer fallowing.

If a few will but try such methods and they prove successful, others will adopt them speedily. The result will

be a transformation that will enhance the value of farming land and build the towns anew.

There are but two real candidates for president. In the voting tomorrow not a ballot should be wasted. It would be folly to vote for Higgen, Debs, Chafin or Watson. Take your choice between Bryan and Taft.

The people or plutocracy, which will it be?

The campaign is over. Aufwiedersehen.

May the people rule.

KELLY, THE MATCH.

He was hit in the groin in a skirmish at dawn, Poor little Kelly, The Match. He fell in the open. Too bad he'd been born!

Poor little Kelly, The Match. The line passed him by on a charge, and forgot

That poor little Kelly, The Match, had been shot; So he lay in the sun—where he'd much rather not—

Poor little Kelly, The Match. He was so thin that it earned him his name;

Poor little Kelly, The Match. Room in his groin for a slug, just the same;

Poor little Kelly, The Match. His canteen was empty as empty could be.

But, he murmured, "They'll send someone back after me; 'My bunkie will miss me before rev- lile."

Poor little Kelly, The Match! All day and all night he lay there in his pain;

Poor little Kelly, The Match; But God had forgotten—He didn't send rain.

Poor little Kelly, The Match. Fever and thirst racked his poor, skinny frame;

But still he had hope, for Kelly was game. And like a good doughboy, he didn't complain.

Poor little Kelly, The Match. That night at sunset they found him. Aias

Poor little Kelly, The Match. With his Colt's in his hand he lay dead in the grass.

Poor little Kelly, The Match. For God had forgotten; He didn't send rain.

And Kelly was thirsty and weary of pain. Ah, who could begrudge him that shot through the brain!

Poor little Kelly, The Match. —Peter B. Kyne in Pacific Monthly.

AN OLD TIME WOMAN.

No clever, brilliant thinker, she, With college record and degree; She has not known the paths of fame; The world has never heard her name; She walks on old, long-trodden ways— The valleys of the yesterdays.

Home is her kingdom, love is her dower; She seeks no other wand of power To make home sweet, bring heaven near.

To win a smile and wipe a tear, And do her duty day by day In her own quiet place and way.

Around her childish heart are twin- ed, As round some revered saint en- shrined;

And, following hers, the childish feet Are led to ideals true and sweet, And find all purity and good In her divinest motherhood.

She keeps her faith unshadowed still— God rules the world in good and ill; Men, in her creed, are brave and true, And women pure as pearls of dew, And life for her is high and grand. By work and glad endeavor spanned.

This sad old earth's a brighter place All for the sunshine of her face; Her very smile a blessing throws, And hearts are happier where she goes.

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Wisconsin Eight-Hour Law Declared Void.

According to a press dispatch from Madison, Wis., the supreme court of Wisconsin has declared unconstitutional the eight-hour railroad telegraphers' law which was enacted at the 1897 session of the legislature. The law is declared invalid on the ground that it is in conflict with the provisions of the federal constitution which clothe congress with the power to regulate interstate commerce; and further that, congress having already provided a law fixing the hours of railroad telegraphers from 9 to 12 hours, it is not within the power of the state to enact a law which would in effect change these hours of labor. A similar case, in Arkansas, was de-

clined in the same way, on September 24, by Judge Coffin in the circuit court at Newport.

A press dispatch from Montreal says that those shipowners who have been carrying grain from Fort Williams to that city during the past summer at 5 cents a bushel and less, have concluded that they are losing money; and they propose to raise the rate to 7 cents a bushel. Already large shipments of grain have been sent from the northwest to New York and Boston.

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