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THE SAGE BRUSH.

When the Master Workman had done his task,
And smooth was the prairie floor,
He summoned a manning and thundered: "Ask,
If you wish to have one thing more."
And the manning answered:
"Broad plains I see,
With a carpet of wondrous hue,
But naught to appeal to my memory
When I wonder the wide world through."
So the Master Workman planted a bush
That gleamed like silver bright;
He planted it where mad waters rush,
And where the deer takes flight.
He scattered it far, and from it rose
A strange scent, all of its own;
In summertime, or in the snows,
Its deathless spell was thrown.
And those who have breathed this magic scent,
On the breast of a Western breeze,
Must turn, as an Arab to his tent,
Back home to the sage brush years.
—Arthur Chapman.

TAFT AND THE PRESS.

In his speech at Newark President Taft showed a feeling of resentment towards the press of the country. He says the newspapers have "hammered" his administration during the past year; expressed a hope that the newspapers do not carry in their pockets all of public opinion and said he was going back to Washington intending to avoid them.

That the press is not endorsing the administration is true. Even the republican newspapers are not doing so. This was shown by the result of the canvass made recently by the Chicago Tribune. The canvass was made among the editors of papers west of the Alleghenies. Of the 2993 republican editors who voted only 1093 endorsed President Taft. 1269 expressed a desire for Roosevelt as president at this time while 531 votes were scattered among such men as Hughes, LaFollette, Cummins and other "Progressives." In Oregon 32 republican editors endorsed Roosevelt and 14 supported Taft. In Washington 51 republican editors voted for Roosevelt and 31 for President Taft. These same men voted five to one against Cannon and cast a three to one vote against the Aldrich-Payne tariff bill. The independent editors voted almost unanimously against the new tariff bill and also against the administration.

This being the situation the question arises as to why the sentiment of the press is unfavorable to the president. Plainly the answer is that during his first year in office the president has been "in wrong." Elected on the assumption that he would follow out the Roosevelt policies he has proven a disappointment in this respect. He has shown weakness and timidity where Roosevelt would have shown strength and courage. He has been very lenient with the "malefactors of great wealth." He has allowed the suspicion to grow that he is more in sympathy with the monopolistic element than with the plain people of the country. His endorsement of the tariff law, of the central bank plan and of the ship subsidy scheme all worked to create this impression. His rulings in the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy have likewise created sentiment against the administration. In the mind of the average citizen Gifford Pinchot stands for conservation in its true sense. For conservation in behalf of all the people. Ballinger stands for conservation in behalf of the Morgan-Guggenheim element.

The press usually reflect very accurately the sentiment of the country. It is safe to say that the republican editors who voted in the Chicago Tribune election voiced the sentiment of their people. Therefore when the president scolds the newspapers he likewise scolds their readers. That this course will be of profit to him is doubtful. It might be better for the president to listen to the voice of the people and give heed to its protest.

WHERE SALOONMEN ERR.

The city council of Spokane has removed Police Commissioner Tuerke and one of the papers of that city charges the action to the fact that the former official was vigorous in enforcing saloon regulations. "For his fearless enforcement of the anti-screen law Commissioner Tuerke aroused the animosity of the liquor interests, who found that they could not, by cajolery or intimidation swerve him from the performance of his duty," says the Spokesman-Review. These interests, exerted great pressure on the council for Mr. Tuerke's removal, believing thereby that they would punish him and give tacit warning to other police officials against vigorous enforcement of the saloon-regulating laws and ordinances. They hope, with Commissioner Tuerke out of office, that the position may pass to one who, if not pliant in their hands, will have less vigor and courage in enforcing the laws.

If these charges are true then the saloon interests of Spokane are digging their own grave. In strict regulation lies the hope of the licensed saloon. The day of the dive is past. It is well that such is the case. Society has nothing to gain from the maintenance of joints that meet no legitimate need but breed only immorality and crime. A saloon should have no screen to conceal what transpires within it. It should be open to inspection from the streets just like grocery stores, confectionery stands and other establishments. When the Spokane saloons object to the removal of screens they admit they are conducting their places improperly. It is a confession that will make prohibition votes in Washington.

The thaw is being managed in a splendid manner. With the heavy snow in the mountains an immediate break-up might be disastrous for it would cause high water in the creeks and rivers. But to avoid this trouble the weather man is giving us alternate thawing and freezing temperatures. The forecast of cooler weather tomorrow is welcome.

A Walla Walla story is to the effect that two men have discovered a mysterious railroad on the east side of the Blue mountains. It is the theory of the discoverers that the newly found road is to be part of the North Coast railroad and will pass through Walla Walla. Such dreams they do have over there.

Motanic, the husky Indian wrestler, says his sporting days are over. He is a Christian and does not want to wrestle with the athletic director from Hood River. Besides he says the Hood River man has no reputation.

Baker City men are now in the grip of the federal court. There are people here who are perfectly willing to have the honors passed around.

The railroad may now put away its rotaries and bring on the bridge gangs and the track repairing crews.

We were told once the plans for the federal building would be drafted in February. This is February.

Who objects now to the expense incurred in strengthening and extending the levee?

HE WAS SOBER.

A certain captain in the army was summoned by his colonel to answer a charge of assault preferred against him by a sentry, who had stated that the officer had used him pretty roughly one evening at the gate of the barracks. A humorous phase of the affair was that the officer apparently had no recollection of the alleged assault. The sentry had made so bold as to declare that the officer was intoxicated. Among those questioned was the captain's orderly, an Irishman, who protested vigorously that the allegation of the sentry was a slander—that he was sure the captain was perfectly sober the evening of the alleged assault.

"Why are you so sure that Captain Blank was sober that evening?" he was asked. "Did you speak to you upon his return to his quarters?" "He did sir." "What did he say?" "He told me to be shure an' call him early in the mornin', sir." "And did the captain say why he wished to be called early?" "Yes, sir, he did sir. He said he was going to be Queen o' the May, sir," responded the orderly with convincing gravity.

A girl should not attempt to sing with feeling when she feels badly.

SUCCESS.

There's a word of cheer for the man with pluck
Who never gives way to an adverse luck,
Who never confesses that he is stuck,
But keeps on mulling
With vigor and toiling,
No matter what comes and no matter what goes,
He laughs at the man with a burden of woes
And finally harvests the crop that he sows.
His "stick-to-it" spirit eventually grows
On those whom he meets
In the marts and the streets
And the highways and byways of life, and he greets
With a strong word of courage the man who retreats
At the first sign of failure and shows him the way
To work with the sun if he wants to make hay.
He lives on the song side
Of life, on the strong side,
And knows not the wrong side.
But clutches the right;
Tenaciously clings till he comes out victorious,
Earning his spurs in a struggle most glorious,
Comes back for more in each unequal fight,
Finally winning the goal he is after,
Spreading his doctrine of grit and of laughter.
C. P. McDonald.

THE FREEWATER "LID."

Freewater, Ore., Feb. 24.—(Editor East Oregonian.)—I notice in your paper, under the date of February 16th, that you have published a story under the following head, "Want Sunday Lid put on Freewater." By referring to the paper of the above date you can easily find the article referred to. This article contains some things that, by a little stretch of imagination, might be considered true, but the force and intent given by the article is absolutely false and is entirely without any basis which might be founded upon facts.

I would be very glad if you would correct the errors in an issue of your paper, and thereby straighten things out and clear up the wrong impression that was given by the article referred to. In the first place the purpose for which this delegation met was not primarily to close the near beer saloon on Sunday, but to close up all business houses in the city, more particularly the cigar stores and billiard halls, and to secure the enforcement of the Sunday law as set forth on page 167 of the session laws of 1902. The near beer saloon has been closed on Sunday, in so far as the sale of near beer is concerned, for several months, and the city officers have at all times enforced the city ordinances relating to the licensing and sale of near beer. In the second place this matter has never at any time been taken up with the city council, so that the statements in the paper to that effect are absolutely false and the person who gave out the interview upon which your story was based evidently was exceedingly economical in his use of the truth. These matters have never been presented to the city council and the city, and therefore the council has never been called upon to act and there has never been an expression of opinion in the council meetings regarding these matters.

Certain facts will be presented to the council at the proper time, which will show the true nature of the attitude of the people who are backing this movement, and the council will take action when matters are presented to them and when the proper time comes.

Very truly yours,
JAMES P. NEAL.

"Why do we send missionaries to the savages?" asked the man.
"To civilize them."
"What good does that do them?"
"It educates them out of habits of idleness."
"And what then?"
"They go to work."
"What do they work for?"
"To become prosperous and rich."
"What good does prosperity do them?"
"It procures them leisure and comfort."
"Which was what they had before you started stirring them up. What's the use?"—Cleveland Leader.

Most of us are too good to ourselves.

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A YAKIMAN IN EGYPT.

We are glad to note that Pasha Arthur Coffin made some of those old Pharaohs of Egypt sit up in their sarcophagi and take notice. If there is anything in this world that will make a dead man come to life again it is the tale of frustrating in the Yakima country. Although the pasha did not say so in his letter to the Republic, his brother, the Effendi Stanley, tells us that when the pasha told that story about Forman's pear crop the Sphinx dropped her knitting and said "Well for the land sake!" thus breaking a silence which began before Abraham went into the sheep business. The pasha left Cairo a few days ago to continue his journey around the world. The Egyptian newspapers of the town, which are all printed in gum arabic, and therefore stick pretty close to the truth, gave him a great send-off, referring to him as the next president of the world renowned Annanias club, of which the great Roosevelt was the founder and first president.—North Yakima, Republic.

IT IS TRUE.

The city of Pendleton was very fortunate when it secured the Bishop family to take charge of the woolen mills there. Hon. C. P. Bishop is one of the best woolen mill men in the west and one of the best merchants, and his two sons, Roy and Clarence, are thoroughly educated in every branch of the factory work. Because of these facts the Pendleton woolen mills have been a success from the very start and are now selling their products to Wannamaker in Philadelphia, and to similar houses in New York, Boston and other trade centers. The value to Pendleton of such an industry can be readily seen.—Harney Co. News.

The despondent lover may lose heart, but the successful one loses his also.

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