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GOOD FRIENDS TO HAVE.

Before leaving for his home at Lewiston last evening, A. N. Wright, newly elected president of the Inland Empire teachers' association expressed the strongest praise for the manner in which Pendleton entertained the teachers' convention. He declared that never before in 11 years has the association been so well cared for. From reports it seems his sentiments are shared almost unanimously by the 150 teachers who were here for the convention. They all expressed appreciation of the courtesies shown them and especially of the reception Tuesday night and the trip to the agency yesterday. Then the expression was heard on every hand that the business establishments of the city are up-to-date and that prices in Pendleton are reasonable. "The store people, hotel and restaurant people, the church people and everybody else were courteous to us and they did not advance prices," declared one teacher in expression of her sentiments yesterday afternoon.

FULFILLMENT.

I launched my boat in the morning, in the gold of the summer day
And watched with pride and a boundless joy her white sails fade away;
And I straightway fell to dreaming of the lands across the sea
Where she would gather treasures and bring them back to me.

My boat returned in the twilight of a cheerless winter's day;
She dropped her soiled and tattered sails—then still at anchor lay,
And I called out to her captain, "Where are my treasures rare—
The gold and pearls and perfume, my good ship was to bear?"

He looked at me, and in his eyes lay pity kind and deep;
"We bring no gold nor jewels rare that tropic islands keep.
I have not touched upon those shores where priceless treasures be—
I but bring home a living thing—a soul that was lost at sea."
—Gertrude V. Gabbs, in Sunset Magazine.

THE EASTERN OREGON NORMAL.

Teachers know better than do other people whether or not an eastern Oregon normal school is needed and the eastern division of the state teachers' association has heartily endorsed the move to reestablish the Weston normal. The teachers know that unless normal instruction is provided by the state in eastern Oregon that this section of the state will soon face a serious situation. There will be a dearth of capable teachers. This for the reason that our young people are now going to eastern Washington and to Idaho normals for instruction and are obligating themselves to teach in those states after graduation. If the standard of the public schools of eastern Oregon is to be maintained then the Eastern Oregon normal must be revived and given adequate, permanent support. Nor will it do at all to maintain but one normal school in this state and that one in western Oregon. With a single normal school in western Oregon and none in eastern Oregon the young people of eastern Oregon will continue to go to the Washington normals and so become lost to this state. If eastern Oregon is to be provided with a sufficient number of properly trained school teachers arrangements must be made for giving normal instruction in eastern Oregon. The Eastern Oregon normal at Weston must be reestablished.

A SPLENDID MOVE.

The big O. A. C.-O. R. & N. demonstration train was viewed with interest by hundreds of people last evening although the train was off schedule. The exhibits and the demonstrations were certainly well worth seeing. Those things show the application of science to practical purposes—to the advancement of agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry.

Progress results from the application of scientific principles in this manner. In the realm of mechanics the auto and the airplane have been evolved from the old bullock carts of the ancients. In horticulture remarkable advancement has been made. By proper planting of orchards, by pruning, spraying, etc., horticulturalists now make \$1000 per acre and sometimes more from their orchards, whereas in former years they scarcely made enough to pay interest and taxes. In agriculture and in animal husbandry equal progress has been made. Scientific farming along intensive lines has transformed the Willamette valley from a "moshback" section into a decidedly up-to-date region and it has greatly enhanced the value of the land because it has increased the productivity of that land.

Dr. Withycombe and the corps of men under him with the demonstration train constitute a mighty force that is working for the advancement of the state of Oregon. They are engaged in work that necessarily requires time. It is naturally hard to get people to cast off old methods and to use their opportunities to the maximum. Yet the educational work is being carried on in such a practical and at the same time persistent way that results are bound to be obtained. Eastern Oregon is going to profit by the trip of the demonstration train and both the O. R. & N. company and the agricultural college people are entitled to much credit for the work that is being done.

The next number upon the convention program will be by the state bankers' association.

EASTER.

Tomorrow will be Easter Sunday and the anniversary of the triumph of the Great Teacher. The celebration of Easter is in commemoration of the resurrection of Christ and of the victory of the spiritual world over the temporal. In this day and age the observance of Easter involves temporal features as well as spiritual. It is a day that is now probably known more because of the spring bonnets that are worn than because of the spiritual significance of the occasion. But then Easter should be a joyous holiday. It is a celebration, not of Death but of Life.

From appearances the insurgents and democrats are satisfied with having humbled Cannon. They don't want to make the rules themselves at this time.

THE WOMAN WITH THE SERPENT'S TONGUE

London.—In William Watson's new book of poems, just published by John Lane, is included one entitled "The Woman With the Serpent's Tongue," which has set all of England talking. No name is mentioned in the poem, but the name of a very well known woman is on every tongue. Here is the poem:

She is not old, she is not young,
The woman with the serpent's tongue,
The haggard cheek, the hungering eye,
The poisoned words that wildly fly.
The famished face, the fevered hand—
Who slights the worthiest in the land;
Sneers at the just, contemns the brave
And blackens goodness in its grave.

In truthful numbers be she sung,
The woman with the serpent's tongue;
Concerning whom fame hints at things
Told in shrugs and whisperings.
Ambitious from her natal hour,
And scheming all her life for power;
With little left of seemly pride,
With venomous fangs she cannot hide;
Who half makes love to you today,
Tomorrow gives her guest away.

Burnt up within by the strange soul,
She cannot stake, or yet control;
Malignant-lipped, unkind, unweet;
Past all example indiscreet;
Hectic, and always overstrung—
The woman with the serpent's tongue.

To think that such as she can mar
Names that among the noblest are;
That hands like hers can touch the springs
That move, who knows what men and things?
That on her will their fates have hung
The woman with the serpent's tongue.

AT THE END.

When the sands in the hour-glass fall,
And the end of it all is nigh;
When the signal is made for the curtain
And the footlights begin to die,
It is good to glance back at the duties
We have done in the days gone by.

When the grave in the grass is yawning
And we totter, decrepit and gray;
When the darkness begins to hover
As we near the end of the day,
It is good to look back at the flowers
We have planted along the way.

When the candle is burned to the socket
And the flame in the wind is bent;
When the life to the utmost limit
Of years, is nearly spent,
It is good to look backward at the kindness
Our lives to others have lent.

When the windows begin to darken
And we bid farewell to the sun;
When the singing is turned to silence
And the end of it all is won,
It is good to gaze back through the twilight
At the good that we may have done.

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BALLAD OF THE SAINT.

The Little Cherubs whispered,
"What strange, new soul is this
Who cometh with a robe besmirched
Unto the Place of Bliss?"
Then spake the Eldest Angel,
"The robe he wears is fair—
The groping fingers of the poor
Have held and blessed him there."

The Little Cherubs whispered,
"Who comes to be our guest
With dust about his garment's hem
And stains upon his breast?"
Then spake the Eldest Angel,
"Most lovely is the stain—
The tears of those he comforted,
Who may not weep again."

The Little Cherubs whispered,
"What strange, new soul is he
Who cometh with a burden here
And bears it tenderly?"
Then spake the Eldest Angel,
"He bears his life's award—
The burden of men's broken hearts
To place before the Lord."

"The dust upon his garment's hem—
My lips shall bow to it;
The stains upon the breast of him
Are gems thrice exquisite.
Oh, little foolish Cherubs,
What truth is this ye miss?—
There comes no saint to Paradise
Who does not come like this."
—Theodosia Garrison, in the November Everybody's.

THE NEEDLESSLY BLIND.

It is an astonishing fact, and one not generally known, that one quarter of all the children in the blind schools of this country are needlessly blind. These children because at the time of their birth their eyes were not properly washed and treated by the attending physician or midwife. The cause of this preventable blindness is ophthalmia neonatorum (ophthalmia of the newborn), commonly known as "inflammation of the eyes of the newborn," "babies' sore eyes," or "cold in the eyes"—one of the most dangerous menaces to vision when treatment is neglected or delayed. "It is a veritable world plague," says Dr. Lewis. "It occurs everywhere, and no country has yet succeeded in getting it under control."

From New York to Japan, from Japan to Australia, from Australia to South America, its cases are scattered. In Mexico, it is the common cause of blindness, and that country claims at least 4500 victims; in the New York state school for the blind, at Batavia, 39.7 per cent of the children admitted in 1907 were victims of ophthalmia neonatorum; at the Pennsylvania school for the blind at Overbrook, the average in 1909 was higher—44 per cent; at the Sheffield school for the blind (England), Dr. Simeon Snell reports to the British Medical association 127 cases out of 333 inmates—42.36 per cent; and still higher, the Henshaw school for the blind (England) reported in 1905 that 99 out of its 200 children—49.5 per cent—are blind from this disease—McClure's.

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