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THE PLACE TO BE.

I. I'm wanting to be In the land where the dreams are the truest to me; Where they give you the gold of the wonderful gleam, And life will smile bright as a dream in a dream. In a land—trouble-free, That is the place where I'm wanting to be.

II. I'm wanting to be Where the ships furl their sails after storms of the sea; Where they dream not of danger of tempest and foam, And the sailors are singing the sweet songs of "Home!" Where life's harbor I see— That is the place I am wanting to be.

—Frank L. Stanton in Atlanta Constitution.

SOME SWORN INFORMATION.

When he spoke at the court house not long ago Jay Bowerman, assembly candidate for governor, criticised the editor of the East Oregonian as not being well informed regarding the normal schools. He then made a startling statement to the effect that the normal schools had been so conducted that it cost Oregon \$12,500 for every normal graduate. It was a statement that made people open their eyes and those who believed Mr. Bowerman became disposed against the schools.

But there was one fatal defect in Bowerman's statement—it was not true. The East Oregonian publishes a statement today which shows that when Bowerman made that accusation he told an outright falsehood. The statement which this paper publishes today upon its first page shows that the cost of the graduates turned out in 1907-08 was but \$420 each. This cost was virtually the same as the cost of graduates in other states, as the statistics given show. The average cost to the state for each normal student for the year mentioned above was \$84 and that per capita cost was lower than the per capita cost in many of the big eastern states, as the sworn statement shows.

Now the statement which the East Oregonian publishes today was compiled from the records by men whom the people of Umatilla county know. That the statistics given are true we have the sworn statement of Clark Wood, a man in whom the people of this county have confidence. The data given shows plainly that Bowerman libelled the normals when he said the cost per graduate had been \$12,500 each. Where Bowerman got his information it is hard to say but it is plain that if he had any facts to go upon he so garbled the truth as to make his whole statement essentially false.

Nor was Bowerman sincere when he said he had tried to kill the normal schools so as to stop the log rolling of which he accused them. It would have been easy to have stopped any logrolling by the normal school people. The legislature could have done that simply by giving each school a permanent annual appropriation. The normal school legislators would have hailed such a move with delight and would have aided Bowerman in the plan.

But when Jay Bowerman took a stand against the normal schools two years ago he was not looking to the merits of the normal school question. He was not looking to the welfare of Oregon's educational system. He himself was playing politics. He wanted the support of the Portland Oregonian which paper had been waging a bitter and unjust fight against the normals apparently in hopes the three existing schools could be killed and a central school established at Portland or vicinity. It is the belief of the East Oregonian that Bowerman's opposition to the normals was the price he bid for the favor of the Portland Oregonian which paper has been his chief asset in this

campaign. A man who will do this—who will sacrifice the interests of the school children of the state in order to further his own political prospects—is not of the right character to be governor of Oregon.

Jay Bowerman should get few votes from the people of Umatilla county.

KEEP HIM AS SENATOR.

Many times have the people of Umatilla county, republicans and democrats alike, been proud of the fact that Senator C. J. Smith represented them in the upper house of the legislature. That he is one of the ablest and most influential men in the senate is admitted even by his most bitter partisan opponents. He has been able to do things for Umatilla county and he has done things. It was Senator Smith who obtained the appropriation for the district fair. The branch asylum for eastern Oregon, if it is upheld by the people, will be due to his efforts. He was the leader in the establishment of the experiment station at Hermiston. He passed the artesian well bill which is of value to the dry land sections of eastern Oregon. He was always a loyal and able advocate of the Eastern Oregon Normal and it was through no fault of his that the school was left without funds two years ago.

So well known is Dr. Smith and so highly is he regarded that scores of the strongest men in his party wanted him to run for governor. There are many who believe that had he sought his party's nomination for governor he could have obtained it and furthermore would have been elected governor.

Surely it means something to Umatilla county to have a man like this in the state senate. Senator Smith should be re-elected and if he gets the vote he truly deserves he will be returned by an enormous majority.

THEY ARE BOILERS.

In this city and throughout the county the assembly machine workers are busy trying to "line 'em up." The bosses and the bosslets are cracking their whips and shouting "vo'er straight." Yet these very men are boiling their own ticket. They are doing this most conspicuously in the case of Sheriff T. D. Taylor. In the primary election Sheriff Taylor was given the republican nomination as well as the democratic nomination. He was given the republican nomination despite the fact that his present opponent, Houser, sought the nomination and had men out trying to induce voters to write in his name. Sheriff Taylor won the republican endorsement in an open race. His name should be upon the republican ticket and he should have the support of the republican organization as well as of democrats. The men who shout "vo'er straight" should take their own medicine.

Friends of J. W. Maloney know that he is in better health than he has enjoyed for years. They also know that the duties of the county judgeship will not impair his health. If there was danger the office would injure his health Mr. Maloney would not be seeking it and his friends would not want him to have it. Stories that Mr. Maloney's opponents are peddling to his health should be treated with contempt.

Among the "Young Bunch" in Pendleton there is no more loyal worker than Ben F. Hill. As secretary of the Commercial club Mr. Hill has made a record as an aggressive active official. He has done good work for Pendleton and for Umatilla county. People should remember this when they vote for joint representative. Give Ben Hill your support.

The greatest argument for J. N. Burgess is that he is like Dr. Smith concerning statement No. 1. But he is not like Dr. Smith. Senator Smith has always been a statement No. 1 man. Mr. Burgess came into the corral at the eleventh hour—for reasons.

In Chicago fancy bacon is now so scarce that the price has risen to 40 cents per pound. This should be an argument for the raising of more hogs on the farms of eastern Oregon.

Now-a-days "sky pilots" are not necessarily ministers of the gospel.

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THEY LIKE DR. SMITH.

(Weston Leader.)

The fondness and good will with which Dr. C. J. Smith is regarded by Weston people, were attested by the prolonged and cordial greeting accorded him last Monday. Dr. Smith talked a few minutes only, but what he said was pertinent and emphatic and nearly brought the audience to its feet. It related largely to Bowerman's record as a school-killer, and to his defamations of the normal schools. Always a worker in the cause of education, Dr. Smith has stood by the normal schools, and he hopes to see them win permanent recognition in November. Moreover, his record during eight years in the state senate is one of faithful, active and intelligent service. Support of the direct primary law and other progressive measures is no new thing with him. He doesn't have to shout from the house tops his devotion to these doctrines, in order to catch votes. He is safe and tried and true, and will be re-elected in November—not because he wants the office, for he hesitated long before accepting the nomination; but because the people know him, and want him to serve.

AGAINST NEW COUNTIES.

(Oregon City Enterprise.)

Irrespective of party, voters are prepared to voice their disapproval of the wholesale scheme to create new counties by voting "no" on every county division and annexation plan on the ballot at the November election. There are no less than eight separate and distinct propositions and none has anything to commend it, save a desire on the part of residents of small towns to live at a county seat. The practice is a dangerous one, and should be promptly and effectively punished. The counties of Lane, Douglas, Clackamas, Washington, Umatilla, Crook, Grant, Harney and Malheur are affected by the proposed schemes. The boundaries projected are atrociously planned. If the new counties of Nesmith and Williams are created, Lane will be left in the shape of a big hour glass and its choicest territory cut off.

A CLEAN UP.

The three amateur sharpers smiled. They thought they had found an easy mark. He was well dressed and grossly inebriated. And he bore a tight roll of bills that looked like a Bologna sausage.

"Boys," he thickly said, "I'm going to send this wash of shuff to the government laundry and have it dry cleaned. It's so fearful dirty. Maybe one of you gents would kindly see it addressed to proper place."

"Why yes," replied the gang. "We'll take care of it."

"Thanks," replied the victim. "An' now I mush ask you to lemme have a few clean bills for emergensish, don't you know?"

So they searched themselves and gave him a new twenty and a ten and a five. Then, taking the solid wad, they hurried away.

Two days later the three clever ones were arrested for having counterfeit money in their possession.

But the gulleible inebriate was seen no more.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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