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. HEART OF GOLD.

Love like a flower unfoldeth, Tear not the leaves apart, Long though the white cup . holdeth Secret its golden heart.

Patience and faith withholden • Dark the garden place; Longer the warm heart golden . Hides from thine eager face. •

Loving the white flower pure- .

Glowing when days are cold, Sunshine will bring thee surely . Wealth from its heart of gold. . "Heartsease Hymns," by William P. McKenzie,

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THEY CANNOT AFFORD IT.

On the first of March Umatilla county will change its system of working the county toads. It is the intention to do away with the county roadmaster and to adopt one of two plans for supervising the road work. One plan is for each member of the court to take supervision over a section of the county. The other plan iz for the court to name three district roadmasters to have charge of the work in their respective sections and to draw pay for such time as they actually work.

Of these two plans the one calling for the employing of three district roadmasters is advocated by County Judge Maloney. It is incomparably better than the scheme to leave the supervision of the work to the members of the court. If the court employs a roadmaster for each of the three natural divisions of this county and employs the right sort of men Each roadmaster will live in the sec- treasury. They were elected to trim will be able to get into action quickly and work the roads when work is needed. He will be able to take perworth of work for every dollar expended.

If the members of the court themselves attempt to supervise this road so favor having the police wear unlwork we will not get such satisfactory forms. results. That plan was tried before and it did not work well. Members of the court were freely charged with "putting in time" travelling around and drawing good pay without doing was invested with the tribunate by the county any good. As they them- the people of Rome. It is necessary selves passed upon their own bills to emphasize that word people. It there was no one to object or prune was the people—as opposed to the down claims. It was not a businesslike system at all and it is no better now than it was several years ago. Such a system tends to breed graft and extravagance and arouses suspicion and criticism. At this time thing that was worth having. The county has been badly bunkoed in the matter of road work. People of the aristocracy. The plain people past has not looked to efficiency and patricians were bound to respect. economy. They know that the methods of the past have placed a premium on graft and waste. They are veins, set himself to the task of righttired of that sort of business and want

The members of the new court cannot afford to go wrong in this mat- gage of battle against the proud and dough-bag methods.-Atlanta Const!ter and they surely will not resort powerful enemies of the people. again to the plan of supervising road work themselves. If they do this paper will take steps to find out what farmers, businessmen and good roads advocates think of the matter.

THE SECOND CHOICE BILL.

Governor West has vetoed the second choice bill with the explanation that it has an unconstitutional feature and also that his veto is in accord with his pre-election promises to oppose any mutilation of the direct pri-

vision is a good one and if adopted it would eliminate one of the objections to the direct primary law. The act providing for rotating names upon the ballot is also aimed at a weak spot in the direct primary,

In the view of the East Oregonian the second choice men in the legislature made a mistake in following the procedure they did. If instead of enacting the change themselves they had passed a resolution submitting this matter to the people at the next election they would then have been freed from the charge of altering a opular measure. There is a general disposition to resent any legislative changes in the direct primary law or n other measures enacted by the people. In the case of the second choice bill this resentment was increased by the fact that the bill passed the senate with the aid of men of the Bowerman contingent. That was a taint that spoiled the measure with thousands of good people of all parties and those people will applaud Governor West for using the veto.

IT IS DANGEROUS.

It is explained for the administration that though the new treaty with Japan makes no provision for excludng Japanese coolles it is the undertanding that Japan herself promises to keep her people at home. That ort of an agreement will do very well average westerner would prefer to see an exclusion provision in the treaty, This country, not Japan should supervise the excluding process. That is distinctly our business. There is but one satisfactory way to settle the oriental problem and that is by reserving America for the caucasians and leaving Asia to the orientals. If the gates of the west are opened to orlental immigration that course will lead to riot and bloodshed and probably to a war between the United States and Japan.

If congress passes the sundry civil bill as now drafted there will be \$35,-000 more for the Pendleton federal building. With that amount and the sum already appropriated the government should be able to erect a first class structure in this city. Here's hoping for construction of the building before the money voted becomes too rusty for use.

Governor West has made a record with the veto ax and he has greatly pleased many people by the manner in which he has used his descretionary powers. There can be no question but that most of the measures turned down deserved such a fate.

It is not up to the members of the county court to draw all the money splendid results may be obtained. they can personally from the county tion over which he has charge and expenses and to see that none of the funds are wasted

People who thought that all legissonal charge of the work and should lation was concluded when the legisbe able to give the county a dollar's lature adjourned had another guess

Hoboes, thieves and bootleggers al-

TIBERIUS GRACCHUS.

It was two thousand and fourtyfour years ago that Tiberius Gracchus patrician machine, backed up by the innumerable "Interests" and "policies" -that stood behind Gracchus,

Immediately upon enering office the brave young tribune began his noble work. The "old families" and their tools had pretty nearly everythere is a general impression among land and all that the land stood for people of nearly all classes that this -political power, social standing; in a word, all the honors and emoluments of the state-were in the hands know that the system followed in the seemed to have no rights that the

Tiberius Gracchus, though himself a patrician of the patricians, with the bluest blood of the republic in his ing these colossal wrongs. He did not know what it was to be afraid. He oved justice and hated wrong; and, despising his own life, took up the He said: "The Roman lands be-

ong to the Roman people" and forthwith began to drive out the wealthy occupiers. Unauthorized occupiers were to be evicted, and no man was to have more than 1,000 acres. The land thus received from the greedy hands of the monopolists was to be distributed in just allotments among the masses of the people, so that each man would have a home of his own and, in addition thereto, the means

of that home's support. But, alas for the beautiful dreams f the generous and the just! Gracchus was true to his convictions and us faithful as the North star to the mary law by the legislature.

Governor West is himself the best judge as to what he meant by his pre-election promise. If he considered himself in duty bound to kill the Rusk bill in order to conform to that promise then he acted absolutely right in vetoing it. However this paper regrets that the ax had to fall in this instance. The second choice proed to more than your name.



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THE MONEY QUESTION.

My temper, as you know, is mild. It's hard to make me mad; But one thing always sets me wild. She knows it does, begad!

I gnash my teeth, I clench my fists, my eyes with fury glow if the promise is observed, but the When that dear wife of mine insists stint her on the dough.

> You see, it's really most absurd. It makes a fellow wince, I, as you no doubt have heard have always been a prince,

You ask the fellows if I'm not spender for your life. That's just the rep that I have got. But don't you ask my wife.

She doesn't have to beg and plead; she only has to speak; And there's no earthly sort of need of so much cash per week. But when I tell her that she sighs, and then the claws unsheath.
"I know I get it," she replies, "but it

comes like pulling teeth." Allowances seem cold and hard; commercial as can be. And so in that one regard we cannot

quite agree, She thinks I'm stingy, I suppose, because I am not rash And know a woman never knows the way to handle cash.

That I'm no tightwad I'll maintain, I understand finance; it gives me quite a pain to

watch extravagance. While I'm most liberal and free, waste makes me froth and foam, And I confess I like to see economy

No, I don't care about expense, as you will well discern,

at home.

shall make no fool pretense of having stuff to burn. The lady's wants are all supplied.

Perhaps there is a fight; But, if I think it's justified, I'll loos en up, all right.

PENSIONS AND POLITICS.

-Kenneth Harris.

While congress is bilthely young away a \$45,000,000 increase in federal pensions, the postoffice department is loudly proclaiming that it is 'saving" a million or so dollars a year by crippling the postal service, which is hailed as a masterpiece of 'departmental retrenchment '

The pension grab bill, deeding \$40 .-000 a year in fee simple to what northern and non-partisan newspapers denounce as a horde of proresdonal "enlisters," camp followers and bounty jumpers, passed the house of representatives with a whoop and is reported favorably to the sen-

Cartoonist Gregg elsewhere sums t up with a center shot-plugging the spigot, ignoring the bung,

The Constitution, in common with all other reputable southern papers, has never opposed bona fide relief to bonafide veterans and their depend-

But the one excuse or pallation of the Sulloway bill is the purchase of \$45,000,000 worth of personal political capital with the people to hold the bag.

Those faithful watchdogs raise a perennial hue and cry about the "pork barrel."

The pork barrel, in its most impudent days, never made such an unblushing bid for universal denuncia-

tion as does the creation of Sulloway! We do not believe the American people, wherever located, or the old soldiers who really bled and suffered for their convictions, will tolerate so flagrant an exhibition

Consul A. J. Lespinasse of Frontera, eports that while the present demand for creosoted lumber in the Mexican State of Tabasco is limited, there is likelihood that the market for such lumber will be enlarged soon by the reopening of the shipyard of the Tabasco-Chiapas Trading and Transportation company, which has been closed for several years,

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licted bank wrecker, has been set bank believe that he is "crazy like for next Monday, but it is hardly a fox." likely to proceed. Former District Attorney Jerome, who is Robin's counsel, quite evidently intends to states that wooden toothpicks are not make insanity the chief basis of the generally used in South Africa, Many defense. Justice Seabury intimated firms give the quill toothpick as an that at the time set for trial he would advertisement. consider motions bearing on the defendant's mental condition. Although the bank wrecker has recently exhibited signs indicative of brainstorm | Pastime.

The trial of Joseph Robin, the in- the depositors who had money in his

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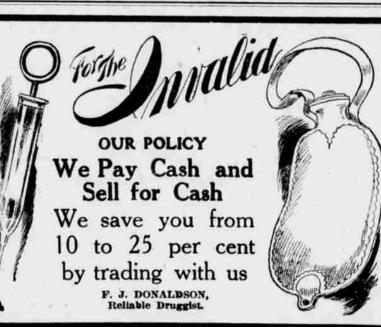
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