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Let me but live my life from year to year,  
With forward face and unreluctant soul,  
Not hastening to nor turning from the goal;  
Not mourning for the things that disappear  
In the dim past, nor holding back in fear  
From what the future veils; but with a whole  
And happy heart, that pays its toll  
To Youth and Age, and travels on with cheer.

So let the way wind up the hill or down,  
Through rough or smooth, the journey will be joy;  
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy  
New friendship, high adventure and a crown,  
I shall grow old, but never lose life's zest,  
Because the road's last turn will be the best.  
—Henry Van Dike.

**AN IMPROVEMENT.**  
There is evidence to the effect that the county court is striving to give better supervision to road work of the county and to insure taxpayers something like proper results for the money expended. Though the commissioners refused to give up the plan of supervising the road work themselves there are reasons for believing that the supervision that is to be given may be somewhat better than that accorded when that policy was in use several years ago.

Then the court has decided to enter upon a policy of permanent road building. Each year the court will do as much macadam work as possible so as to gradually provide permanent highways for the county. Certainly this is a step in the right direction. If the court adheres to this policy it will not be many years until Umatilla county will have some good roads all the year round. If the court will but put into permanent roadbuilding the money which in the past has been wasted through ill timed or mismanaged work on the dirt roads marvelous results may be obtained.

As to why the commissioners refused to adopt Judge Maloney's plan for having work supervised by district roadmasters rather than by members of the court this paper is at a loss to understand. It was a far better plan than the one that will be followed. The plan of having the work done personally by members of the court was tried before and it led to much complaint. Charges of extravagance and graft were freely made. It is a plan that naturally leads to suspicion.

How well the plan will work under the present court remains to be seen. It may be that the members of the court intend to pursue a different course with reference to their supervisory work. They may not intend to do all their supervising from O. R. & N. passenger coaches. It is to be hoped so anyway. It is also to be hoped that henceforth when the county does road work at Fulton men and teams wont be sent out from Pendleton to do that work and be allowed pay for the time enroute. The county can afford to pay for road work but cannot afford to pay people for making an eight mile trip and return each day for three weeks.

It is evident that the publicity this paper has given to county road affairs during the past week or two has accomplished some good. Publicity usually brings wholesome results. Meanwhile, if farmers, businessmen or other taxpayers have anything further to offer upon this subject the East Oregonian will be glad to publish their views.

**TWO SORTS OF DEMOCRATS.**  
How futile and shattered have become the lines that divide this country into republicans and democrats is shown by the sputter made Saturday by Senator Bailey of Texas. If the democratic party stands for anything it stands for liberalism. It is the party of reform. Yet here is

Senator Bailey, reputed democratic leader in the senate, offering to resign because his colleagues voted to admit Arizona to the union after it had adopted a constitution containing the initiative and referendum. Bailey is a reactionary democrat. He has long been classed as one who stood with the interests. He is no reformer. He does not even disapprove of legislative bribery for he fought hard to keep the senate from ousting Lorimer.

Bailey declares the initiative and referendum a populist vagary. Yet state after state is following Oregon in the adoption of the same and the progressives, of both parties, are making the initiative and referendum the chief plank in their platform. It is recognized that the initiative and referendum affords a way by which popular government may be restored in states that have become machine ridden. No state can well secure a thorough direct primary law until it first gets the initiative. There is nothing in the initiative and referendum to conflict with the principles of the democratic party. On the contrary the initiative and referendum is the very essence of democracy.

Bailey's behavior shows that the democrats as well as the republicans are sadly divided and that a political realignment cannot be far distant.

**ENFORCE THE LAW.**  
In putting the lid upon those who would hold prizefights in this city the authorities are taking the only course open to them. There is a state law against prize fighting and it is the duty of the sheriff and of the district attorney to enforce that law. It is also the duty of the city, through its police department, to co-operate in the enforcement of the law. That the city is ready to do its part in this work is evident by the vigorous orders given by Mayor Murphy Saturday.

Pendleton is tired of pugilism and especially of the sort it has been having and will welcome the lid.  
Do the taxpayers of this city want to continue the use of a high school building that is cracking and is regarded as unsafe? In the view of the East Oregonian they do not. If people will but investigate the condition of the present structure they will be very willing to vote for the erection of a new building.

Senators who voted to sustain Lorimer are now hearing from home.

Now the country will have a chance to see what the defectors will do.

**MARRIAGE IN HIGH LIFE.**  
(Minneapolis Tribune.)  
The Reid family has taken such strong root in London, whence all the efforts of the president to find a successor as ambassador to the court of St. James have been unable to detach it, that the marriage of its son to an American girl may be considered a new form of international alliance.

It is far more worthy of note in that capacity that the union celebrated with such splendor in New York not long ago or than most of the marriages arranged in high life that ebbs and flows between New York and London.

The children of the Reids must "take after" their mother, who was a daughter of one of the finest types of California argonauts, David Ogden Mills. Mills made himself rich without corrupting legislation or skinning the public, invented the most modest and useful charities ever known in this country, and remained a gentleman in the highest circles of New York society.

His granddaughter gratified her father by marrying an Englishman, but we believe he was a clean and healthy army officer in active service, neither tagged with a title nor possessed of much wealth. Now her brother has done a much finer thing by marrying his mother's social secretary, a young woman of good stock but small means who lived in Racine, Wis., and graduated at Barnard college.

There is something in heredity after all, under the most favorable circumstances.

**EYES AND THE VOICE.**  
A physician in London, Dr. William Martin Richards, has had occasion to observe a relation existing between the eyes and the voice and has recently made a statement of two cases that came under his treatment where actresses who had lost their voices completely recovered them when treated for defective eyes and fitted with proper glasses.

He tells of one young woman in whose family eye diseases were hereditary who found herself at the age of 22 losing her voice. Her eyes were found to be in need of attention and when she had been supplied with glasses she promptly recovered her singing voice.

When she discarded the glasses some time later and her eyes were once more neglected her voice also relapsed into a husky state that precluded all singing. This practitioner has observed a number of similar cases, and the discovery of the relation between the eyes and the voice should certainly be valuable to stage folk and others who depend largely upon their voices for their status in the world.

did not anticipate adverse criticism. He received it, nevertheless, given in the doctor's gentle, humorous way, which never could offend.  
"It's a good speech," he said, "but there is, perhaps, a little too much of a certain sort of rhetoric. For instance, I find in it two midnight owls, two midnight wolves, three American eagles and four unfurled banners. It seems that the supply exceeds the demand."

**PERTINENT POINTERS.**  
You've got no kick coming if you deserve the mean things said about you.

Many a woman would like to swap her husband for a bunch of alimony. One idea of a fool barber is one who cuts the same customer twice in the same place.  
If a pair of shoes are too small they may fit a woman, but if they are too large she has a fit.  
Sometimes the only complimentary thing that you can truthfully say of an acquaintance is "He isn't any worse than other men."

**AS A GIRL VIEWS IT.**  
The average man's attitude toward a clever woman is that of the curious small boy who wanted to "shee de wheels go round."  
If a girl is pretty enough she can sometimes manage to live down a college education.  
It's useless for an heiress to waste time learning to speak French in order to captivate a foreign nobleman, believing her money will do the talking for her.

**POPULATION OF MEXICAN STATES.**  
According to the 1910 census of Mexico, the state of Chiapas has 436,817 inhabitants, which Consul Brickwood of Tapachula, says shows an increase of 76,918 over the population of 1900. The state occupies thirteenth place among the 31 political entities which form the republic of Mexico, those having more than 1,000,000 residents being Jalisco, Veracruz, Puebla, Guanajuato and Oaxaca.

**COULD NOT WRITE NAME BUT MADE A MILLION.**  
A will signed only with an X, because its author was unable to read or write, has just been probated at Mineola, L. I., and disposes of an estate valued at nearly a million dollars accumulated by the late John Lahey.

Lahey came to America in 1866 and obtained employment in Brooklyn, working as a common laborer at a dollar a day. He saved every cent possible and invested in New York real estate. Despite his illiteracy, he possessed shrewd judgment of land values and his investments rapidly increased in value. He often declared that he did business only with honest people, and that it made no difference whether he had education or not. The estate is divided among his nine children.

**"THE MOST REMARKABLE WOMAN IN AMERICA"**  
In connection with automobile touring, Mrs. Harriett Clark Fisher stands foremost. This lady of wealth, whom Wu Ting Fang designated as "the most remarkable woman in America," is best known by reason of her recent round-the-world tour. This trip, which was accomplished in an American-made automobile, a Locomobile, of forty horsepower, is still fresh in the minds of motordom and the public at large. It is all the more remarkable when it is known that she traversed thousands of miles of mountains and plains where automobilists had never dared venture. Without maps or other data to assist her, she accomplished the almost impossible.

She was warned that certain roads were impassable, particularly between Bombay and Calcutta, a route she was the first to take and accomplish on this tour. Mrs. Fisher, to use her own words, "was striving to kill care rather than derive actual enjoyment."—Raymond F. Barnes, in March Columbian.

**BLOOD DISEASES CONTAGIOUS TROUBLES**  
Contagious Blood Poison more thoroughly permeates the system than any other disease. Its infectious virus contaminates every corpuscle and tissue of the circulation, and for this reason its symptoms are of a varied nature. When it enters the blood it is but a short time until the mouth and throat begin to ulcerate, the skin becomes spotted, rashes and eruptions appear on the body, sores and ulcers break out, the hair falls, and frequently nails on hands and feet thicken and come off. Mineral medicines which simply shut the poison up in the system should be avoided, for when such treatment is left off the old disease will break out again, often worse than before. S. S. S. cures Contagious Blood Poison permanently, and it does so because it thoroughly purifies the blood. S. S. S. goes into the circulation, and drives out the last trace of the destructive germs, adds richness and vigor to the circulation and the diseased portions of the body back to health. S. S. S. is purely vegetable, being made entirely of roots, herbs and barks, without a particle of mineral, and its vegetable ingredients always hasten the cure by toning up the stomach and digestive members. Home Treatment book and any medical advice free to all who write. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

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Commissioner W. Water Secret Two Ready time

Finance Commission day afternoon, during ing water condit the d yet be from the ter. Com were livel They said that ly explained to bills would be apply. Commission didn't thought charge should as to and the business district, where has been delivered through services usual, but was in some doubt as to a proper charge for the residence sections, where deliveries have been made by water.

War statement followed a rema the commissioners to the effect everything that could be done in the water department was

100,000 of the churches' share has been pledged. In making the proposition he would make the understanding that no refused admission to the any time and that one-

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afternoon were in a Texas Sec for storage was of between Main an into the sub- ment were in the buildi es escaped injury. Their escape regarded as marvelous. J. H. Cullimore, the foreman, was in the building, said that his escape and that of the three other workmen seemed providential. They were working near the south wall on the ground floor and were saved from injury by the big timbers of the floor above them pressing against the south wall, thus leaving a space between the

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