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MAY.

May speaks in the voices of busy brooks,
In the singing of wind in the grasses,
From her smiling skies, ever downward looks
On all her dainty bowered nooks
That the lazy bumble-bee passes.

May loves the little and helpless things—
She shelters each frail tiny fellow,
And hovers protecting mother wings
O'er every struggling life that sings
In her breezes gentle and mellow.

We welcome you blithely with loving arms,
And the earth her joy confesses;
You creep up daintily with your charms,
With lavish giving and upturned palms,
And healing in your caresses.
—Ethel Hallet in May Lippincott's.

NO OCCASION FOR IT.

For reasons that have not yet been disclosed, an effort is being made to discredit the administration of Major E. S. Swartzlander, agent on the Umatilla reservation. The attack is led by a sheet that is noted for its lack of character and for its libelous and blackmailing propensities. It is a sheet that has received scant attention from the East Oregonian and its present efforts would go unnoticed were it not for the fact that they are directed against a capable and honest official who is earnestly upheld by practically every reputable man with whom he has had any dealings and for the further fact that the interests of scores of local farmers and business men are jeopardized by the attacks being made.

As pointed out by local people through interviews in this paper yesterday, Major Swartzlander has made a record unequalled by any former Indian agent. In the olden days the reservation reeked with graft and skulduggery and frequently it was common knowledge that the agent was part and parcel of the game. But of late years the government has made strenuous efforts to do away with such abuses and in its attitude it has the support of all right minded men. In order to accomplish its object the government has inaugurated many wholesome reforms and has selected as agents for this reservation men who would be honest and fearless in discharging their duty.

In the view of the East Oregonian Major Swartzlander has been true to the trust imposed in him and has made good in a very difficult position. This impression is gained from interviews with dozens of men representing all cliques and factions and local businessmen as well as reservation farmers. All unite in saying that he has been fair and just with redmen and white, big men and little men. The principle of the square deal comes nearer being in operation on the reservation at this time than ever before in history. As pointed out by local bankers yesterday, an honest administration of reservation affairs is all that men should hope for.

It is time for the critics of Major Swartzlander to cease their carping and devote themselves to more worthy business.

A COSTLY CARGO.

In an address before the South Carolina bankers' convention, Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh urged that southerners break away from the one party rule. He made the plea for the sake of the south as well as for the nation.

Commenting upon Mr. MacVeagh's advice, the Atlanta Constitution has the following:

"With the application of the bi-

party principle, per se, in the south. The Constitution is heartily in sympathy. We have often pointed out the advantages that would flow to our own people and the nation from such freedom of political action as would permit every man to follow his political conscience wherever it may lead him.

"But—
"There never will be two parties in the south so long as one of them stomachs Hitchcockism and Wickershamism.

"Secretary MacVeagh rightfully denounced the federal proscription of reconstruction.

"The repression, the suspension of constitutional guarantees, the gaudy brutality of reconstruction were no worse than these qualities as they have been exhibited under the regime of Hitchcock and Wickersham.

"Broad-minded democrats in the south, conscious of the warping of influence of solidarity have encouraged the agitation for tolerance and liberality in the south.

"But whatever hope the republicans had cherished of formulating a second organization in the south has been—

"Splintered into toothpicks by the remote reminder that the republican party will, even nominally, tolerate the fat-headed and inquisitorial policies identified with shuddering memories of the late sixties, and now in full flower under the postmaster general and the attorney general.

"The republican party is carrying costly cargo. For upon the heads of these two blunderers rests the responsibility for dealing the republican propaganda in the south a blow from the effects of which it will be years in recovering, and which instead of contributing to the creation of two parties in the south is far more likely to create just one party in the north, and that party not the party of Wickersham and Hitchcock.

A probe will disclose Ballingerism saintly beside Hitchcockism and Wickershamism."

If Congressman Berger, socialist member from Wisconsin, keeps going at his present rate it will not be long until someone will introduce a bill to abolish Berger. He is in a position where he might do some good for his party but he is taking advantage of an opportunity to make a fool of himself.

Sometimes it occurs that a man never knows how many friends he has until some occasion arises that brings them to his defense. This is the case with Major Swartzlander and he has not made friends by favoritism, either. He has gained them by the absence of favoritism in his administration.

Medford's postoffice is now closed to the public on Sundays. That is very well if the Medfordites like it. But in Pendleton the people like to receive their mail on Sundays as well as on other days and they told the department so.

A Spokane attorney wants heavier punishments imposed on drunk men. He is right; a drunken man is not only a nuisance but often a menace to lives and property. He should be punished accordingly.

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