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THE CALLING.

The wind is in the pine-trees
and the blue flames lick
the logs.
And the firelight casts its
glamour on the wall;
And your dog lies on the hearth
rugging himself against
the cold.
But you hear the Red Gods
calling through it all.
And it's roan, roan, when you
hear the Red Gods calling
Where the summer seas are
breaking on the sands;
Where the gold weaves through
the sunsets and the purple
mists are falling,
With your roaning, roving kin
from all the lands.
There's the soft hand of a woman
that you love—
God knows how well;
There's the prattle of a child
within the hall;
There's a song of woven magic
that makes sunlight of the dark,
But you hear the Red Gods
calling through it all.
And it's roan, roan, when you
hear the Red Gods calling,
Where the camp-fire spins
its smoke in curling
strands,
And the desert lies before you
cool and silent in the
moonlight—
With the wanderlust accus-
ed of all the lands.
—By R. L. McKee in Sunset.

LAFFERTY SHOULD GO.
Discussing Congressman Lafferty and the unenviable notoriety he is now receiving the Journal says:
"In his official explanation, Mr. Lafferty says, 'the father of the young lady called, and after expressing surprise at seeing such a youthful representative, stated that he had supposed that I was some elderly individual, and had imagined that the letter was written in bad faith. He left my office apparently in the best of humor, and I have not seen him from that day to this.'
"The father says: 'When I called and confronted him with his letter, Lafferty told me with much wringing of his hands and pleas for consideration that he did not write the letter, but that it had been written by one of the young men in his office. He said he would write me a letter of apology if I stayed in his office while he wrote.'
"Lafferty thereupon wrote the letter of apology in which he said: 'The letter which was sent from my office to your daughter was not written with my knowledge or consent, but prepared by others in my office.'
"The letter to the girl was in Lafferty's own handwriting, and in his official explanation, after formerly trying to attribute it to others, he admits that he wrote it.
"After these incidents, the father wrote Lafferty, saying: 'I do not care to have you visit me at any time or any place, etc.' In his explanation, Lafferty says this letter was part of a conspiracy by his enemies in Portland and was written on 'Mount Hood paper, sold by J. K. Gill, Portland.' It was in fact written on Mount Holly paper and by the father, who has given a copy of it to the public.
"In his official explanation Lafferty says E. D. Baldwin wanted the price of his return to Oregon for suppressing the story, a charge that Baldwin denies, and which Lafferty himself now admits to be untrue. F. H. Barrow through whom Lafferty first charged that the money proposition was made, says the story is untrue.
"These and other falsehoods Lafferty has told in the matter disclose how unfit he is for the position he holds. His attentions to the girl were bad enough. The lies are worse. They humiliate Oregon at Washington and before the country. He ought to resign."

The last suggestion of the Journal is particularly good. Lafferty is an improper man for Oregon to have in congress. The people of this state do not sanction insults to little girls. Lafferty should resign or he should be ousted under the recall. He was elected under the Oregon system. It is now up to the people of this district to show that under the Oregon system the people may quickly get rid of a public servant when he proves himself unworthy.

MORE HOUSES NEEDED.
Though the influx of people for the fall and winter has not yet started there are practically no vacant houses in Pendleton at this time. There are a few houses to be had it is true, but most of them are shacks and unfit for living purposes.
The time is at hand when more houses are needed here for residence purposes. New houses erected in desirable portions of the city and built along modern lines may be rented with ease. At least this is a reasonable assumption in view of the present situation.

The call seems to be particularly for medium priced houses and for apartments. Regarding the latter it has been a source of surprise to many people that a few up-to-date apartment houses have not been constructed in Pendleton ere this. For years there has been a demand for flats or apartments. There are many people who desire rooms close in and provided with the conveniences that go with the apartment houses of a city. The people who desire such rooms are willing to pay the price and they make desirable tenants.
Parties having money to invest in houses to rent will do well to look over the situation in Pendleton.

WHO IS CORRECT?
In a communication from Mr. James Johns, published on this page today, some very startling things are said regarding the Thorn Hollow springs. Is Mr. Johns correct in what he says about the supply of water at Thorn Hollow? If he is then people have been gravely misinformed by members of the water board and by their engineer. They declare that the supply at Thorn Hollow is several times greater than the present supply of the city. It will be interesting to learn who is right in the matter. There are ways of ascertaining exactly how much water the springs produce. Meanwhile it might be well for the water commission to call Mr. Johns as a witness in its suit to condemn the springs. Under his view of the matter the property cannot be very valuable and the city should be able to acquire the springs for a song.

AN UNFINISHED JOB.
At the present time our cluster light system is in a peculiar shape. Some blocks are lighted while others are not. One side of a block will be well illuminated while across the street there may not be a glimmer of light. It is a patched up arrangement and is a source of wonder and of inquiry on the part of visitors. They ask when the thing is to be finished.
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"Do all the workmen drop their tools the instant the whistle blows" asked one of the commission.
"No, not all, answered the man who was acting as guide. "The more orderly have their tools all put away before that time."—Lippincott's.

\$5000 Cat Catches Snake.
Mount Holly, N. J.—Hereafter Mrs. John W. Hillyard, of Ranocosa, will have a very uncomfortable feeling every time her \$5000 Angora cat goes out for fresh air and gets beyond her sight.
Mrs. Hillyard was sitting in her home Wednesday when she heard the mewling of the cat at the door. There awaiting admittance was the \$5000 bunch of fur with a four-foot live snake very securely held in its mouth. Mrs. Hillyard managed to dispatch the snake without injuring the cat. Kitty will have a guardian if it continues this dangerous practice.

MUST HAVE LOOKED BAD.
"What a strangely interesting face your friend, the poet, has," gurgled the maiden of 40. "It seems to possess all the elements of happiness and sorrow, each struggling for supremacy."
"Yes, he looks to me like a man who was married and didn't know it," growled the cynical bachelor.—Philadelphia Record.

CANINE HERO IS DEAD.
Little Spaniel Had Saved Twenty Lives.
New York.—There is mourning in Poverty Hollow among a thousand kids that go swimming in East river, off Corlear's Hook. For Gamo, the plucky little water spaniel that used to "go in" with them and was always on hand to pull them out in case of accident or cramps, is dead. Captain Jack Coakley's volunteer life saving station, which had been Gamo's home for the six years of her life, was crowded with the boys that came to pay their last respects.
Although she was only a dog, Gamo has rescued almost as many people from a watery grave as Captain Coakley himself in the last four years. And this afternoon had a regular funeral, with proper ceremonies and a the East river. Joe Gallagher, her "burial at sea" meaning far out in

possibly one-half mile. At that point I am satisfied all the water would flow through a box six inches square. In other words I do not believe all the water now flowing from all the springs at Thorn Hollow including Squaw creek, if delivered in a wooden pipe would reach Pendleton. It would not cost a wooden pipe for that distance. I can conceive of no reason for the city to condemn this property. If they get water at Thorn Hollow they will have to take it from the river. If they take it from the river, why go to so much expense? Why not get water by only going one-half the distance? Or why not increase our present system to meet the demands? We are told it would save expense of power which is \$2000.00 annually. What will be the interest on the bonds? \$200,000.00 at 5 per cent looks like \$10,000.00 per annum for interest besides the upkeep of such a system.
Now I voted for the bonds and am heartily in favor of pure water and claim it is cheap at any price, but I am not in favor of spending \$200,000.00 and find that we have no better water than we have now. When we spend such a large sum I want to see something its equivalent as an asset. I do not believe there is a man in Pendleton who if he owned the whole city would think of spending such a sum for what he will get in return, when it is plain the same results can be obtained with a much less outlay. In other words if the water commission were spending their own money they would seek a better investment than laying eighteen miles of wooden pipe to bring in the same water we have now. According to an interview with one of the commission in your paper of this evening, we conclude that they do not consider the system complete till they reach North Fork and take the supply from that stream. If that is the case why condemn this Indian woman's property at great expense? Why not take the water direct from the river as will have to be done whether the city acquires the Indian woman's land or not. I wish the citizens, taxpayers and people most vitally interested in the city and its welfare would make a trip to this proposed source of water for this city and if they do not find conditions as I have described them I will pay for the automobile or the railroad fare.
JAMES JOHNS,
Pendleton, Aug. 8, 1911.

A GRAND STOVE
A woman who moved to Philadelphia found she could not be contented with a colored mammy who had been her servant for many years. She sent for mammy, and the servant arrived in due season. It so happened that the Georgia woman had to leave town the very day that she had just time to explain to mammy the modern conveniences with which her apartment was furnished with. The gas stove was the convenience which interested the colored woman most. After the mistress of the household had lighted the oven, the boiler, and the other burners and felt certain the old servant understood its operations, the mistress hurried to her train.
She was absent two weeks and one of her first questions to mammy was how she had worried along.
"De finest ever," was the reply. "And dat air gas stove—oh my! Why, do you know, Miss Flo'ence, dat fire ain't gon' out yit!"

WISE WORKMEN.
An industrial commission appointed by congress was conducting certain investigations with reference to the operation of mills and factories in various parts of the country, and the members became especially interested in the working of one mill in a southwestern state.
The investigators were in one room when the whistle blew for noon. The operatives put up their tools and vanished as if by magic.
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life-long friend, read the burial service, and Captain Jack slipped the shrouded body overboard with never a ripple to show where she sank.
Gamo was more than a favorite playmate with the boys and girls in Corlear's Hook park; she had a reputation as a life saver that would have covered her shabby body with Carnegie medals if she had been human.
Only ten days ago she rescued Little Bobby Murname, who fell off the dock when there was no one else around. Bobby was a heavy 12-year-old and he was pulling strong. But Gamo never hesitated. With a short, sharp yelp the danger signal she always gave, Gamo plunged in. She reached Bobby, caught his long, curly hair in her teeth, towed him ashore before any one else knew his danger. Then she went back to nuzzle on the straggles beside Captain Jack's shanty. It was the twentieth human life she had saved.

NEW SCHEME FOR SKEETERS.
Empire State Man Has Brilliant Idea.
Tarrytown, N. Y.—George P. Fox of Elmford, an assessor for the town of Greensburg, is a man of original ideas. Elmford, like Jersey, has its quota of mosquitoes and sleep in the Fox home has been almost impossible.
Fox took his family to Rye beach and while there bought the children some toy balloons. The balloons gave him an idea and when he arrived home he poured a quantity of citronella in one of them, blew it up and placed it on a pillow. Then he darkened the room. It wasn't long before the mosquitoes discovered the balloon and thinking it was Fox, started boring.
A few minutes later Fox heard the balloon explode with a bang. He waited to give his scheme time to work and then went into the room. The mosquitoes were all dead, with their feet in the air. In telling of the success of the idea today Fox said:
"Those mosquitoes that weren't killed by the explosion went so fast to get away from the odor that they simply died from exhaustion. No mosquitoes bothered us after that."

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Louis law school four years later, after which he attended the University of Berlin for a year. He was admitted to the bar in 1873. Mr. Nagel was a member of the Missouri legislature from 1881 to 1883; president of the St. Louis city council from 1892 to 1897, and has been a member of the St. Louis law school faculty since 1886. Besides he is a member of the board of directors of St. Louis Museum of Fine Arts. In 1908 he was made national committeeman from Missouri. Mr. Nagel has taken an active part in politics for the last 20 years by participating in conventions and speaking during campaigns and has from time to time delivered addresses before bar associations and similar organizations upon various topics of public interest.
He took the oath of office as secretary of commerce and labor March 6, 1909. Secretary Nagel has been married twice and there has been five children, one by his first marriage.

AUGUST 9 IN HISTORY.
1710—French and Spaniards were defeated at Saragossa and the allies entered the city.
1804—Considerable excitement prevailed in Florida over an insurrection of Americans, who attempted to surprise and capture the garrison at Baton Rouge.
1808—Romana, with 10,000 Spanish troops, deserted the French army and went to Spain in British transports.
1811—Battle of Baza the French defeating the Spaniards, under Blake.
1815—The exiled Napoleon sailed for St. Helena.
1829—Pera, a suburb of Constantinople, nearly destroyed by fire.
1841—The gunboat Erie, bound from Buffalo to Chicago, burned and over 100 lives lost.
1844—Act abolishing imprisonment for debt in England, became effective this day.
1855—Santa Anna left the city of Mexico with 2600 men, under pretense of putting down the revolution at Vera Cruz, but signed an abdication at Poroto and sailed to Havana. On his departure a mob destroyed a large number of houses.
1864—Residents of Buffalo, N. Y., were excited over a report of an intended confederate raid from Canada, with the object of burning the city.
1870—Franco-Prussian war, French army of the Moselle concentrated before Metz.
The Ollivier cabinet resigned, Comte de Palikao forming a new ministry.
1904—Japanese renew attack on Shikoku mountain and carry it by storm at 4 a. m. Russians left hundreds of dead in their abandoned position.

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