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SWAT THAT FLY. Now summer's here, Cast up your eye, And strike to death The roaming fly; Where'er you find Him spare him not, But join the clans That swat, swat, swat.

CORRUPTING THE GENERALS.

Daily it becomes more evident that the troubles in the Roosevelt army come from the personal ambitions of several big Roosevelt leaders.

Most conspicuous among the Roosevelt leaders are Hadley and Borah. Borah was wanted for temporary chairman and throughout the early stages of the battle he was everywhere acclaimed as one of the great men of the party and a progressive leader.

Upon Governor Hadley greater hopes were placed. He was the floor leader of the Roosevelt forces and it seems plain he was counted upon to go the limit.

What the final outcome will be is still in doubt of course. But at this time it looks like Waterloo for the colonel and if such it proves to be the defeat may be charged more than anything else to Marshal Ney.

LOYAL TO PENDLETON.

In standing loyally by the people of Pendleton in protecting this city's right to the Round-up the Portland Elks, Commercial Club and leading business men like Julius Meier have taken the action expected by the East Oregonian.

The attitude taken by Portland is very gratifying to Pendletonians. Local people have gone to heavy expense and have done a vast amount of work to make the Round-up a success.

grand lodge committee stood for such a proceeding. Pendleton Elks have been working for months to make a big showing in Portland during the grand lodge session.

Nor will Messrs. Raley and Gwinn allow the Rodeo organization to do the work. Those men are the original heroes and organizers of the Round-up and are interested in its continuous welfare.

HARD TO STOP IT.

In the belief that "the kissing habit is a blot on our civilization, and a menace to health and decency," the Milwaukee Physicians' association is reported to be preparing a bill to abolish the practice.

Science has done and can do many wonderful things, but we fear it cannot, even when backed by all the power of the state, abolish kissing, comments the Chicago Record-Herald.

There are nations that do not kiss but that is not because of laws. Doubtless some diseases are communicated by kissing, and the kissing of babies and young children on the mouth ought not to be tolerated.

It is apparent that some of the colonel's followers have been fair weather friends. They were very strong for Roosevelt when they thought he could win but they don't like the looks of the "last ditch."

June showers are generally very welcome but this year Jupiter P. would confer a favor on Umatilla county by curbing his efforts.

Besides it has been proven several times that it is impossible to can a show like the Round-up.

Now Baltimore is beginning to sizzle.

THEN THEY HIT UP THE SIRUP.

While on a western tour in connection with certain investigations of the committee on Indian affairs, Senator Carroll S. Page of Vermont happened to get in conversation with a man at Ashland, Wis.

"From Vermont?" chuckled the man. "Why, I was born at Swanton, Vt."

"So was I," said the senator. "My father ran a store on Merchant's row in Swanton."

"So did mine," replied the Vermont senator. "My father dealt in hides and wool."

"What's the matter with father? He doesn't seem to be enjoying the films a bit."

"No; his evening's spoiled."

VOTES FOR WOMEN

That the interest of the local women in political equality is growing, as the time goes by, was demonstrated at the last meeting of the Political Equality league.

Far more than the women, the men have been labored with in all the former suffrage campaigns in this state. They, the intelligent, substantial, upright citizens of Oregon, are not needing any further arguments to convince them of the right and justice of the question.

The address of Mr. Milnes was the feature of the evening, eloquent, forcible and convincing. Mr. Milnes in quoting St. Paul, did not choose the old quotations that the anti-women give us and that made an indignant young woman upon one occasion say that "she believed, from all that she had heard, that St. Paul was no gentleman."

Mrs. C. B. Wade will entertain the Political Equality League and its friends next Tuesday afternoon from 3 to 5, at the home of Mrs. B. S. Burroughs, corner of Jefferson and Washington streets.

GENEROSITY IN TEXAS.

It happened in Amarilla, Texas, at hotel where a traveling man from Kansas City was staying for a few days. He wore one of those little fried-egg hats that made him look like a freshman.

As the drummer passed through the hotel lobby and started up the stairs, the Texan spied him. "Hey, there," he called out boldly. "Come back here."

The old Texan leered at him scornfully. "Say," he replied, "I wasn't starting any trouble. I just want to take that feller out and buy him a hat."

PUZLED STATESMEN.

When the late David B. Henderson was made speaker of the house one of his first acts of patronage was to secure a consular appointment for one of his political henchmen, a member of the Iowa state senate.

The legislature was in session when the telegram was received from Speaker "Dave" at Washington: "Have secured your appointment as consul to the Falkland islands."

"Where in thunder are the Falkland islands?"

ABSENT TREATMENT SAVED HIM

The expert medical witness had just descended from the stand when a recess was announced in the criminal court and so he paused for a few moments to chat with Judge Ralph S. Lantshaw, who dearly delights in twitting the medicos.

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