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THE SPIRIT OF POETRY.

I.
 Spirit! what pure felicity
 Is his, who knows and loveth thee;
 He keeps for thee a place apart,
 Hid in the chamber of his heart,
 There he has built a shrine,
 Where he
 May, in high moods, commune
 With thee,
 And serve thee, as a priest of thine,
 Knowing thou art indeed divine!

II.
 Thy starbright pinions' glinting gleams,
 Illume my visions and my dreams,
 I've heard thy voice on storm-swept seas,
 In fleeting winds, in whispering trees,
 Or when larks in Morn's rosy hours,
 Their music pour in silvery showers,
 And in dark days, when life seems drear,
 My spirit sings when thou art near.
 —Charles W. Hubner.

ROOM FOR CENSURE

HERE are features in connection with the school board's action that seem open to question and the welfare of the community calls for some discussion of the subject.

Why was such hasty and secretive action taken on a matter of such moment to the city? Why was not an announcement made of the coming vacancy so as to leave an open field for applicants with a view to obtaining the best man to be had. The country is large and a host of very desirable men might be glad to apply for the Pendleton position if they knew there was an opening here.

By the course taken the board has decided the election before people even knew nominations were in order. It is like deciding a race before the runners have gotten upon the track. Are such tactics advisable? Do they not shut out wholesome competition? Do they breed confidence and harmony with reference to the schools?

In the view of the East Oregonian the school board has blundered. They should have acted more in the open and should have let people know a new superintendent was to be elected. Such a course would have been only fair to the people, to other applicants and to the new superintendent who is now under the reproach of having been chosen by sub rosa

methods. We do not say this to make war on the man elected as superintendent, nor to endorse Mr. Hampton. We are not dealing with the merits of individuals but with the methods of the board. The selection of a city superintendent by rush tactics is open to censure. It is a public affair, not a private matter.

So is the board mistaken in seeking a low salaried man for head of the Pendleton schools. It is our pride that Pendleton is the leading town in eastern Oregon, and that we have a good school system. We cannot maintain that standard by making the superintendency a cheap position. We are paying \$1800 per year, while The Dalles pays \$2500 and La Grande and Baker pay their superintendents \$2400 each. It is not a situation to give prestige to our town or to our schools.

THE MOORHOUSE COLLECTION

HERE is good news in the announcement that Major Moorhouse has placed his great collection of Indian curios and pictures on exhibit in his new office on East Court street. That exhibit is something of which Pendleton has long been proud and justly so. Few men have taken such interest as Major Moorhouse in the subject of Indian lore and in the art of Indian photography. His fame is nationwide and many visitors to Pendleton desire to meet the man and view his collection. Fittingly exhibited in the new quarters the collection will be a source of great interest to local people and particularly to tourists.

THE TRAINED WOMAN

HERE is splendid argument for domestic science instruction in the following from Ida Tarbell:

"It is generally accepted that a man has no right to marry until he can support a wife. From the start his training is devoted to making him productive in order that he may marry and rear a family. He is more or less a skilled person. But the girl who must handle his skilled earnings—and no intelligent person will deny that her function is every whit as important economically as his—is unskilled. It is unfair to both of them, as unfair as when two men—one a skilled manufacturer, the other an unskilled buyer and salesman—try to run a plant on equal terms. Give the girl a chance—not to learn box making or typewriting or bookkeeping, but to do the things she must do."

STILL SNAPPING AT THE PRESIDENT

ON the very day of the Villa raid on Columbus orders were given for American troops to bring about the capture of the outlaw and General Funston was given a free hand as to procedure. Various announcements from Washington have emphasized the fact that the fullest authority is given the commanding officer.

Yet these facts mean nothing to the scalawag press that



BLANCHE SWEET IN "THE ESCAPE"
 At Alta Theater, Today and Tomorrow.

is concerned first of all with misrepresenting and belittling our national administration. The following from a Portland anti-Wilson sheet is noted:

"Funston it seems must knock on the door and be bidden to enter."

Funston is not stopping to knock on the door but instead to get his forces in shape to do a first class job of Villa hunting, but what of that.

The subsidized party organ presumably must earn its keep, but when the nation's soldiers are being sent forth to avenge an outrage like the attack on Columbus it would be a fit time to lay aside partisan snapping at the president and manifest a higher grade of Americanism.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

James Crane, a full blooded Indian of the Umatilla reservation, has just entered the high school as a sophomore. Mr. Crane has been attending Carleton for the past few years.

As a means of promoting high school activities, a new club was started last evening by several of the boys in the school. They met at Henry Judd's home and discussed the purpose of the club. Officers will be elected in the near future. The name given the club is "Jolly Bachelors". All boys in the high school are eligible to membership.

THIS MAY ENTERTAIN

BITS FROM EVERYWHERE.

A daily paper was recently issued on a train between the cities of Minneapolis and Spokane.

The number of aviators in the world is now estimated at 59,000, and the number is growing daily.

Good paper, it is said, can be produced from refuse hops that have hitherto been thrown away in breweries.

A serious effort is being made in India to revive the natural indigo industry and more than 25,000 acres have been planted this year.

The musical acuteness of horses is shown by the rapidity with which cavalry horses learn the significance of trumpet calls.

In the Japanese variety of the common pheasant the splendid green which decorates the neck only of the English pheasant, or the ring-necked Chinese species, is carried down over the whole breast.

IS IT POSSIBLE?
 (By Dr. E. E. Haslop, Pendleton, Or.)
 "Oh, doctor," said a lady suffering a severe headache, who had attempted to do a day's work on a box of aspirin tablets, "is there any relief for headache?"

"Indeed there is relief and without aspirin, too." When a headache is caused by pelvic congestion and sometimes bowel disturbance, the relief comes that even drugging the system does not bring relief. At what a frightful cost is this relief, if gained, purchased at? The after reaction on the body tells the tale. How freely people use what physicians would administer most sparingly!

However, there is relief from headache made from using sedatives. Osteopathy relieves congestion and can always locate the cause of a headache by the tender nerve trunks that supply the organ affected.—Adv.

Preparedness, Not Militarism

(By John Sharp Williams, U. S. Senator from Mississippi.)

We have made up our mind to prepare. We are setting about this business of national safeguards with a growing conviction that we must make a pretty thorough job of it.

To be honest with ourselves we may as well admit that we are the most egotistical people in the world, as we are the most wonderful in self-dependence, initiative, audacity, invention and enterprise.

Our forefathers bequeathed us that heritage—our environment has furnished the incentive. For generations we have been receiving the stimulus of men who dissatisfied with conditions of existence in Europe, had the courage to brave the unknown and the unknown to conquer it.

The heaven of the old pioneers rejoiced to keep us true to our national traits. Melting out as we are for the world's differing ideals, languages and customs, our pioneers of the present, as of the past, resemble one another in the inherent force which drives them to seek this new and free arena for the exercise of the strength God has given them.

Aside from this genius we are no better than anybody else. Europe

holds nations that are more highly cultivated, in the sense that implies the graces of modern manners and the arts; but no nation approaches us in that basic social culture which is implied in the democratic, slow-to-ebb touch, and, after all, constitutes the real strength of a people.

With all the millions who have come to us we remain the Americans of old; we remain a people bred on a pioneer conditions, the pioneer blood running in our veins, the pioneer memories undimmed in our hearts.

No people that has been pioneer-bred reared in habits of caution as well as courage as the price of safety, is a rash people. Among all European-speaking peoples none is more cautious and conservative as a nation than we are.

There are still men enough of the pioneer type among us to call a halt on folly, as there have been to call the halt on nonsense when Bryan printed off his million defenders between sunrise and sunset.

America does not want to be prepared to whip the world; she has within her own limits nature enough to conquer without desiring to conquer men.

But America does want to be amply prepared to prevent any nation or group of nations from asserting and consummating a world domination.

The last people in the world to submit to a new Roman Empire are the American people, as we would be the last to air at establishing ourselves in any such overlordship.

No people understand better than we do that every dollar we spend on the navy and army is a dollar subtracted from something which is ideally worth more; on the other hand, no people can understand better than we that, without adequate safeguards, we cannot build up our ideal within our own boundaries free from any interference from Europe.

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When the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the case of the Mountain Timber company against the Pacific States Fire insurance company.

The specific action on trial involved a \$10,000 policy held by the mill. The total 27 suits were brought by the timber company for collection on the policies when a dispute arose as to the amount of the company's loss in the trial of the action against the General Assurance company of Paris on a \$2500 policy; the timber company won.

The action was then brought by the company to stop trial on the other suits, pending a decision from the supreme court in the first case, contending that the issues involved were practically the same and that the policies all covered the same loss.

The insurance company presented requests for 32 instructions to the jury, each being denied by the court. The jury, after deliberating two hours returned the verdict for the timber company.

Republicans in Maine Win.
 PORTLAND, Ore., March 14.—Four out of the five city elections in Maine were won by the republicans. The only Democratic success was in Biddeford, where Leopold A. Girard was chosen.

The successful republican mayors are: Blaine S. Viles, in Augusta; John F. Woodman, in Bangor; Frank H. Nickerson, in Brewer; and William K. Keene, in Belfast.

WICKERSHAM WINS IN ALASKAN PRIMARIES

JUNEAU, Alaska, March 14.—The Wickersham-Shackelford forces apparently are in control of the republican machine in Alaska, if results of last week's primaries may be accepted as a guide to the political situation. In practically every district victories for the Wickersham-Shackelford cohorts were returned and it is evident that this combination will control the republican territorial convention at Seward in April.

The heavy republican vote cast throughout the territory indicates a party strength that is more or less alarming to political leaders who affiliate with other parties.

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