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THROUGH PEACE TO LIGHT.
 I do not ask, O Lord, that life may be
 A pleasant road;
 I do not ask that thou should'st take from me
 Aught of its load.
 I do not ask that flowers should always spring
 Beneath my feet;
 I know too well the poison and the sting
 Of things too sweet.
 I do not ask my cross to understand
 My way to see—
 Better in darkness just to feel thy hand,
 And follow thee.
 Joy is like restless day, but peace divine
 Like quiet night;
 Lead me, O Lord, till perfect day shall shine,
 Through peace to light.
 —Adelaide A. Proctor.

SENATOR LANE AND THE LAND GRANT

SENATOR LANE'S letter and his statement before the house public lands committee is not altogether encouraging from the standpoint of those working to secure 40 per cent of the land grant money for the school fund.

The senator seems to give first thought to the idea of turning the land over to settlers in 160 acre tracts. Yet the modern settler on such lands as this is no settler at all. He is a speculator or a dummy entryman for some party or parties desiring to secure good timber at a cheap price.

If all or a large part of the grant land should be thrown open to entry the land would be quickly taken, but the state would get nothing. An entryman on timber land would be unable to use his timber himself. He would have to sell his timber for a song and the real beneficiary of the plan would be not the settler or the state but the gentleman finally getting the timber. How much better for the government to sell the timber outright at commercial prices and apply 40 per cent of the proceeds to our school fund and 40 per cent for roads in the land grant counties. In

that way the whole people would share in the blessing and we would add an immense sum to the irreducible school fund. The East Oregonian may not thoroughly understand Senator Lane's position and credits him with all sincerity in his attitude, but he appears too much impressed with the "poor settler" argument. He should beware of gentlemen who talk tearfully about the horny-handed settler in this day and

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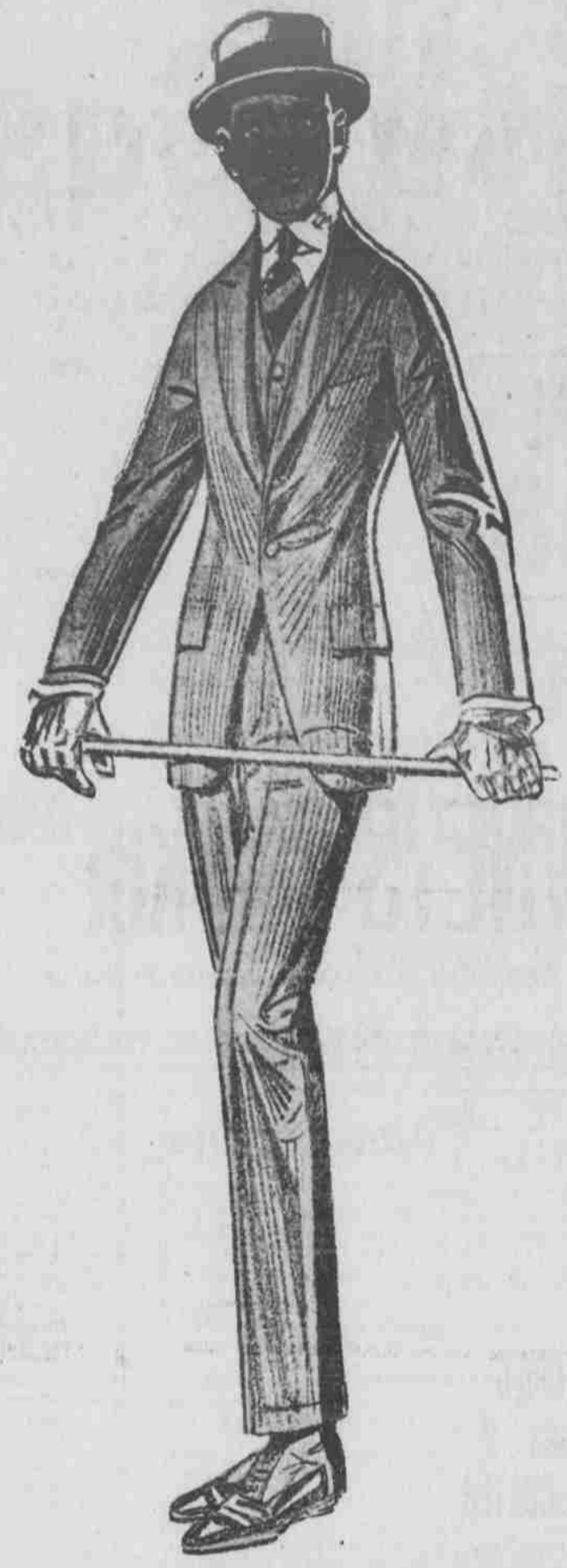

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FROM THE PEOPLE

REITHS WERE PIONEERS.
Pilot Rock, Ore., April 15.
Editor East Oregonian:

I see in your paper where the name of Pilot Rock Junction is changed to Reith. I think that is a very appropriate name. I am surprised that the East Oregonian says that the name of Reith is unknown. The Reith boys were some of the oldest of the old pioneers. They owned land at the mouth of Birch creek from in the sixties up to the eighties. They ran sheep extensively all over the hills around where Pilot Rock Junction is now and the three boys, as they were always called, Jake, Eugene and Louis, owned several hundred acres of deeded land from the Junction down the river and also up Birch creek over as far as Coombs Canyon. At one time they were large property owners in Pendleton and Tacoma. Two of them are still living near Sprague, Wash. Eugene and Louis Reith. The other is dead.
Yours very truly,
JOHN BRADBURN.

THE ECHO HIGH SCHOOL

Echo, Ore., April 18, 1916.
Editor East Oregonian:
J. Straub, dean of the University of Oregon, who has visited over a hundred and fifty high schools makes the statement in regard to the Echo high school:

"I consider the Echo high school, population considered, the best high that I have seen thus far. Its equipment is splendid, it has an efficient, wide-awake faculty, and I think the directors are to be congratulated on their work and I hope they will keep up the good work and not let Echo high lose its rank.—J. Straub."
Respectfully,
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