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THE CALAMITY ONE

(By Frank L. Stanton.)

In summer he's a-singin'
That the crop'll never grow;
'Fore winter winds are singin'
He's a-propheysin' snow.
An' the world where he's a-livin'
Is 'a wilderness below.
An' "we'll never reach the happy side o' Jordan!"

II.
The world don't stop to listen,
For it knows the work's to do,
An' the heart is ready for it,
An' it's beatin' high an' true.
An' the storm that shakes the ruin down
Leaves the sky amazin' blue.
An' we're sure to reach the happy side o' Jordan!
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WORKING AGAINST THE WHEATMEN

PORTLAND newspapers inquire why inland empire farmers do not like the Thurtell recommendation that a differential in rates be established through increasing the rate on wheat to Puget sound. The question is easy of answer. Such a proceeding could not fail to result in loss to the farmer. With the rate to Seattle increased the ability of Seattle buyers to compete against Portland for wheat would be lessened to the extent of the differential. Portland buyers would not have to lower their quotations but would probably do so because of the weakened competition from the sound. Hence the farmer is in a position where he has no chance of gain but an almost certainty of loss.

The complaint of the Inland Empire Shippers League was for a differential through a reduced rate to Portland. The granting of such a complaint would have benefited the farmers, but Examiner Thurtell recommends that this complaint be thrown out of court and that a differential be provided by increasing the sound rate from points south of the Snake. This recommendation puts the whole matter in a different aspect.

In asking that the Thurtell recommendation be upheld Portland is really working for Portland's advantage at the expense of the inland empire wheatgrowers. There is no other way to look at the matter if the cold truth is to be faced and it is useless for Portland papers to think they can dupe the wheatmen.

THE CENTER PARKING PLAN

THE center parking plan may have its merits but there are objectionable points about the scheme. One is the requirement that no car may be left unattended at a curb. This means that a man or woman driving a car up to a business house cannot leave the car even for a few minutes to go inside and transact business. This will work serious inconvenience upon legitimate traffic. Yet the new rule permits the parking of a car in the center for an indefinite time. In other words, the plan in this respect aids those who desire to use the streets for storage purposes but penalizes those using the streets for traffic. The proper method would be to serve those using the streets for current business and curb those who have cars to store.

REGARDING AUTOCRATS

THE president of the United States is "more autocratic than any sovereign in the world," according to Elihu Root, who urges that the republicans make decentralization of executive power one of the principal planks in their platform.

This is not the first time that a president has been called an autocrat and the people warned that they must deprive the nation's head of some of his powers or else suffer the evils of despotism. The democratic platform of 1864 denounced President Lincoln's "administrative usurpation of extraordinary and dangerous powers not granted by the constitution." The republicans branded Grover Cleveland as an autocrat who would make his administration a one-man rule. The enemies of Theodore Roosevelt, political and otherwise, painted him as a czar-like head of government with a "my will is law" attitude.

There are presidents and presidents. If one of strong personality tries to force his policies through congress he is promptly branded as an autocrat and if he chances to be of the variety who only suggests and then lets congress do as it pleases, he is denounced as a wishy-washy, rubber-spined executive and the prayer goes up from his critics that this nation be given a man of courage and backbone to direct its destinies.

Mr. Root's characterization of President Wilson would have more weight if it did not have historical precedent. The president of this nation has had much the same powers for nearly 150 years and there isn't much evidence that we have ever been ground under the heel of despotism. If we have been suffering from autocracy, we have borne up remarkably well under it.

The politicians at Washington would doubtless like it better if they were not subjected to so much executive interference, but the people, who fix the responsibility of an administration upon a president, will, we think, prefer that retain some authority.

Provide supervised playgrounds in Pendleton and there a congress which has, unfortunately, all too often demonstrated its incapacity and its need of a man in the driver's seat who can crack a whip as well as cluck his tongue.

Pa's favorite
cereal—says
Bobby
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POST TOASTIES

Will Boost Legion Dance
Ernest Morris, proprietor of the
Jolly Inn, announces that because of
the American Legion dance tonight,
there will be no dancing at the Inn
this evening.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the East Oregonian, February
24, 1892.)
The following attended the demo-
cratic central committee meeting here
yesterday: A. L. Gordon, Juniper;
W. M. Scott, Helix; I. Ruddock, Rud-
dock; R. M. Turner, East Pendleton;
S. Rothchild, South Pendleton; G. A.
Hartman, North Pendleton; H. J.
Taylor, Adams, proxy; D. D. Plante,
Bilton; F. J. Kelley, Cottonwood; P.
M. Kirkland, Weston; T. J. Tweedy,
Prospect, proxy; W. M. Pierce, Tolo-
p-ty. The appointment was based

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ing exercises. On the program were
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and third grades, and music by Misses
E. Fraker and Viola Cahoon, Messrs.
Potwine and German. Essays on
Washington were read by Miss Bertha
Conley, Miss Viola Cahoon, John
Lahrs, Roy Ritner and Harry Raynor.

Hiram Woodruff read "The Character
of Washington, Miss Lottie McLeod
read an essay on "The Comparison of
Washington and Bonaparte." S. A.
Lowell then addressed the school up-
on the idea of Freedom.

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