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Just Folks by Edgar A. Guest

THE QUITTER

Fate handed the quitter a bump and he dropped—
The road seemed to rough to go, so he stopped;
He thought of his hurt, and there came to his mind
The easier path he was leaving behind:
"Oh, it's all much too hard," said the quitter right then;
"I'll stop where I am and not try it again."

Whenever the quitter sits down by the road
And drops from the struggle to lighten his load,
He can always recall to his own peace of mind
A string of excuses for falling behind:
But somehow or other, he can't think of one
Good reason for battling and going right on.

Oh, when the bump comes, and fate hands you a jar,
Don't baby yourself, too, whenever you are,
Don't pay yourself and talk over your woes,
Don't think up excuses for dodging the blows,
But stick to the battle and see the thing through,
And don't be a quitter, whatever you do.

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NOT A TOURIST PROPOSITION

IT is freely admitted by Portlanders who have studied the subject that with reference to tourist business the connection with the Columbia highway at Pendleton is preferable to the proposed route through Wallula. This because the present route through Umatilla county gives the stranger an idea of Eastern Oregon and its resources. The traveler sees the splendid fruit section in the east end of the county, the wheat lands of the Adams-Athena-Weston country and the fertile irrigated tracts from Echo to Umatilla. On the other route he would see nothing but waste land. From Wallula to The Dalles he would traverse a desolate route, brightened neither by farm homes or towns of any size. He would naturally form an unfair impression of Eastern Oregon.

In a discussion on this subject in Portland last week these facts were brought out and the Portland men virtually waived all claim that the Wallula route would be an asset with reference to tourist business. That being the case the Wallula road must be considered on its merits as a feeder road rather than as a tourist road. Now it is obvious that road would be of no value to Eastern Oregon. It would be of no value to Umatilla county because it passes through a country totally uninhabited and not susceptible of being farmed. Nor would the road be of benefit to points west of Umatilla because those points are already served by the present highway. Furthermore, excepting Arlington there is no town of any size on the route until The Dalles is reached.

The only thing that has secured the Wallula road any recognition at all is the claim it will be of benefit as a feeder road to Portland. But it can be shown that any such benefits will be so small as to make the point inconsequential. The much touted claim about Yakima trade is a myth and the fact can be discovered by anyone who looks at a map.

Furthermore, why should Eastern Oregon's quota of federal money be used for Portland's benefit. Why not use it upon roads of importance to Eastern Oregon? Wont Portland herself gain far more by this course?

"HEADS WE WIN, TAILS YOU LOSE."

THIS newspaper does not wish to be unfair to others but it can see nothing but sophistry in the contention of the Portland Oregonian on the rate issue now before the commerce commission. The Oregonian would deny to the interior country the benefits of the very principle for which Portland contended in the Columbia rate case. No amount of shifting and explaining on the part of the Oregonian can change the fact. It is a case of red handed hypocrisy.

It is also noticeable that the Oregonian's statements and statements made here recently by H. E. Lounsbury of the O. W. R. & N. Co., do not coincide. Mr. Lounsbury told us, and he knows the facts, that what the railroads chiefly seek in their plea is not freight that is subject to water competition. They seek freight that originates so far from the Atlantic seaboard that it cannot use the ocean. He spoke particularly of steel from Illinois. In this class of traffic, originating in the middle west the railroads seek the right to give coast cities a lower rate than the inland cities. This is not a fair proposition. To put such a system into effect means to give coast cities not only the benefit of their location near the sea but with reference to rail transportation it gives them benefits that should logically go to interior points instead. Portland cannot secure middle west freight by water. Nor is Portland nearer the middle west than is Pen-

This Cat Catches No Mice



This is Miss Marjorie Rothchild who just returned to New York from Paris. Her cat's name is Xnouche. It catches no mice, for it is a toy cat, the latest rage with the rindemobles of Paris.

dleton or other interior points. Therefore it is unfair to grant lower rates for the longer haul. No amount of argument can change this fact.

On the rate subject Portland is playing a game of "heads we win, tails you lose." They may put it over but the East Oregonian is one newspaper that is not going to keep still about the matter.

As was to be expected the people of Portland voted their fair tax. But the measure voted provides for but one-third the cost of the fair. They expect to raise the remainder by a million dollar subscription and by a \$3,000,000 tax upon the state. They are expecting the taxpayers of the state to bear an undue portion of the expense.

If the limitations conference can do something to make the nations feel safe the problem of reduced armaments will be easy; but if the various powers feel insecure we can expect them to hedge when it comes to actual reductions. To get results we must treat the source of the trouble, not the symptoms.

With all this snow and the necessity of feeding stock our hay owners may have less trouble disposing of their product.

It has been a bad day to get out a heavy vote at the special city election.

The Storm King oversteps himself when he tries to take charge of affairs in November.

Beware of fire dangers; it's hard for the fire department to get around in this weather.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, November 21, 1893.)

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy were blessed by the birth of a daughter at their home near Warren station, recently. Mr. Kennedy was in town to day and not even the low price of wheat would prevent him from looking happy.

Miss Mary Hoppe of La Grande is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. E. Lusk. Charles Hamilton and G. A. Hartman returned on this morning's train from a Portland trip.

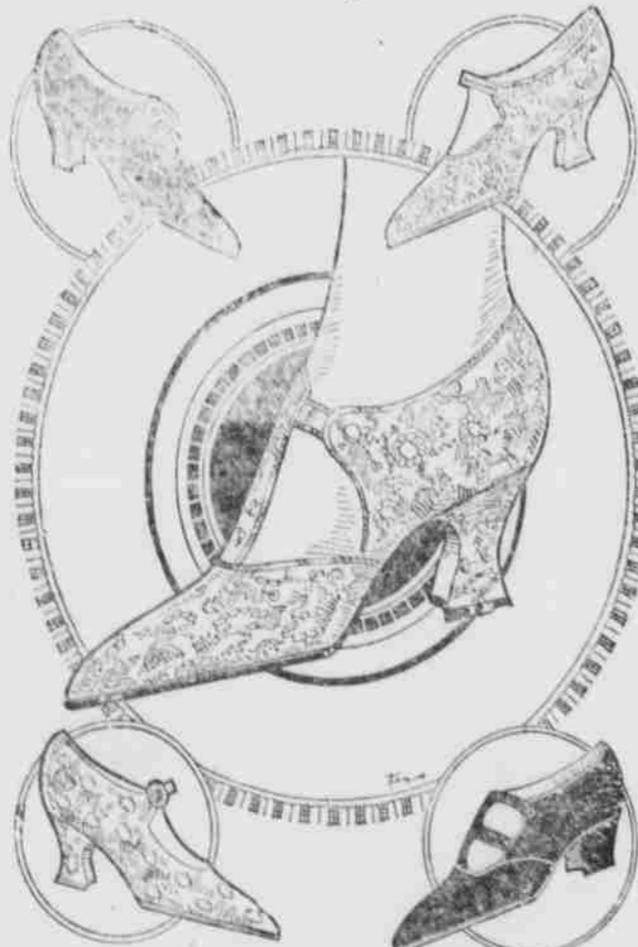
W. H. Dougherty was in La Grande Monday and signed to Portland a contract for some time ago. The agreement consists of a contract for a street widening, diverting of water, four feet, averaging to 250 feet in width.

points in weight. So James is among the fever victims, having been a sufferer since last Friday. Mr. Hunter's parents are also ill at their home on McKay Creek. Their son Perry has been in attendance upon them.

James Kidwell, a married man of Walla Walla, will town.

"MAN WITH MOST 'GAMBL'"
PORTLAND, BUREAU, Nov. 21.—(O. N. B.)—A report is filed that Mr. John Kennedy has found the 2000 "that's got all the gold in the world." "This man," says Kennedy, "was fined \$200 for violating Mr. Volstead's law. He hasn't paid the government yet. The other day he came into my office and showed the government of the United States for \$150,000. He has for his service as a witness during the grand jury session. My records show that the first law has been sometime ago. The agreement consists of a contract for a street widening, diverting of water, four feet, averaging to 250 feet in width.

Low Shoes and Spats Are Best



This is going to be a hard winter for the high shoe. The spat will protect the feminine ankle from the wintry blast. The winter shoes for street wear are slanted spats in suede or, for the insistent oxford fans, patent leather. But the sandal form, both for street and evening, holds first place. Illustrated here are some of the newest models.



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With acknowledgments to K. C. B.

Not such a bad come-back at that



WE WERE all sitting
IN THE smoking car,
AND HARRY, who admits
HE'S A born comedian,
TURNED TO me and said,
"I'D BEEN reading about
SPIRIT MESSAGES, and guess
WHAT HAPPENED to me.
I DREAMED my watch was gone,
AND WOKE and looked,
OF COURSE I had to bite,
AND ASK, "Was it gone?",
AND HE said, "No—
BUT IT was going."
SO THEY kidded me till
I THOUGHT I'd get hunk,
SO I said, "Well,
I DREAMED one day,
WHILE RIDING with Harry,
THAT THE barn was burning,
BUT WOKE up and gosh,
IT WAS Harry's cigarette."
AND HARRY said,
"NOT TODAY, old dear,
I'M SMOKING your kind now,"
AND PULLED a pack
OF "SATISFY'S."
AND THE only come-back
I COULD scare up was,
"ISN'T THAT glassine wrapper,
GREAT FOR keeping
CIGARETTES FROM "ving,
EVEN IN hot air?"



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