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## Just Folks

by Edgar A. Guest

**SAD CASE OF McNABB**

"I am the fellow!" said Old Man McNabb.  
"All for myself I must hustle to grab,  
All that I do in this land of the free,  
Must have something tangible in it for me.  
I am the fellow that's out for the gold,  
Out for the stuff I can gather and hold.  
Let others prate of their services for Man,  
I'm on this earth to get all that I can."

Old Man McNabb sits all alone in his wealth,  
Broken in spirit and broken in health.  
"Cudd is the world," he declares, all alone,  
Never a friend he can trust has he known,  
Nobody stops at his door day by day,  
Nobody pauses a kind word to say.  
Now he discovers, with life near its end,  
One can grab money but can't grab a friend.

He wanted it all for himself, did McNabb,  
Greedy and selfish and eager to grab,  
Working for others he thought was a crime,  
A waste of his efforts, a waste of his time,  
Seeking the profit he went on his way,  
Making his world what he finds it today.  
Now, at the end of his road, he has learned  
He who spurns others shall some day be spurned.

"I am the fellow," thought Old Man McNabb,  
"All for myself I must hustle to grab!"  
Pitiful doctrine and horrible creed,  
Fashioned in selfishness, builded on greed!  
Turn from myself just as fast as you can,  
Think less of profit and more of the man,  
Make it a good world for others, and they  
Will make it a good world for you every day.

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**WHAT OTHERS THINK ABOUT IT**

**COMMENTS** by the state press outside of Portland show an almost unanimous endorsement of the legislature in refusing to swallow the fair tax measure submitted by Portland. Of the newspapers received by the East Oregonian, or from which we have a clipping service, the only ones censuring the legislature are the Portland Telegram and Oregonian.

Here is a recent view of the La Grande Observer published by Senator Bruce Dennis:

Charlie Hall of Marshfield is a state senator from Coos and Curry counties. Julius Meier is one of the prince merchants of Oregon. Meier is for an exposition tax on the people, either property or gasoline or some other kind of a tax. Hall is opposed to the tax. He believes Portland should finance her show and not tax the rest of the state. He believes that a stock company should be formed and let all buy stock who care to.

The two boys met the other day at a meeting of the Oregon Chamber of Commerce, whatever the mischief that is, and they had a row. Meier demanded Hall to explain why he opposed the tax and Hall surely explained it to him.

There was bad blood shown. There was the essence of a state row that will reach from the Imnaha to Coos Bay exhibited, and the row is on the question of whether Portland will force the state to help pay for the exposition. Mr. Meier is wedded to the exposition idea as Oregon's only avenue of escape from almost bankruptcy, but Hall is old-fashioned and believes the only way Oregon will come out of the financial dumps is to settle down and go to work, thus paying off her debts.

The scrap between these two men was not individual it was not local—the other hand, it was a state-wide scrap, which, if pressed, will line up the people just as the late session of the legislature lined upon the exposition tax measure.

The Malheur Enterprise, published at Vale, believes Portland should finance its own fair. In its last week's issue the Vale paper carried a front page editorial in which it said:

The big property owners of Portland and the large financial interests would derive an immense amount of benefit from the exposition and would pay under the gasoline tax, only a few dollars for passenger consumption.

So much for the gasoline tax.

An unfortunate situation has risen in Oregon over the attempt of some of the Multnomah delegation to force something down the throat of the state at large. The old-time feud between Portland and the state-at-large has broken out and the really big and just men of Portland regret it as much as does the rest of the state.

Portland cannot grow and prosper as it should without the undivided support of the state and neither can the state develop without the help of Portland.

As aptly expressed in an editorial in the Oregon Journal, "It will be cheaper for Portland to pay for the exposition itself than to permit it to widen the breach between the state and city."

The Marshfield News has expressed its position as follows:

It is not surprising to find the Pendleton East Oregonian and the people of Eastern Oregon in general, standing shoulder to shoulder with the coast counties in a fight for federal money for roads.

Despite the fact that the larger part of a great state lies between the two sections, the rugged coast counties have time and again found their strongest allies in the broad-minded plainmen of the eastern part of Oregon.

The Blue Mountain Eagle, published at Canyon City, has a genuine grouch against the metropolis as may be seen by this extract:

Oregon is the only state in the union that we know of that has one town of 258,000 and not another town in the state up to 20,000. Portland is the biggest jay town on the coast. It is the poorest town on the coast to go to finance any out of Portland enterprise. Last summer fruit packing plants and industries of all kinds went begging in Portland for help. And this has always been the situation in Portland, and it has something to do with the fact that the state has but one town of 258,000 and not another town of more than 17,000 and only three towns in the state with 10,000. No state in the union can show a condition that compares to this. In the last 20 years about all Portland has been interested in has been some grab penny show that would bring their country cousins to town. The whole road program has been in and about Portland and the millions have been spent primarily for this town. Eastern Oregon has shown very little development in 20 years, and in fact no towns in the state have shown much change, and we base this statement upon the 1919 and 1920 returns.

Other expressions of a similar nature are available but lack of space forbids their use. None of the clippings received show any up-state criticism of the senators who refused to pass the fair tax.

**28 YEARS AGO**

(From the Daily East Oregonian, January 9, 1894.)

Jimmie Carden finds the smooth sledging just the thing for him. He pushed himself about town today on a small hand sled with perfect ease. Jimmie has recently been on a tour through Washington, Montana, the Dakotas and Minnesota.

E. May today shipped ten cars of beef cattle via the W. & C. R. and Northern Pacific to the Sound market.

G. E. Stocker is kept at home by a slight illness.

**NOBLES WANT DIVORCE**

LONDON, Jan. 9.—A number of names of distinguished persons appear in the list of 1914 divorce cases that come up at the approaching sittings of the law courts, beginning next Wednesday.

Earl Cathcart, petitioning for a divorce, cites the earl of Craven as co-respondent.

Lady Honda seeks the restitution of conjugal rights against her husband, Sir Humphrey Mackworth.

Lady Belle is petitioning for a divorce. She obtained a restitution decree in July.

Lady Frazer seeks a restitution decree against her husband, Sir John Frazer.

Traces of many diseases still prevalent have been found in mummy 3,000 years old.

## Betrothed to Ex-Kaiser?



Frau Von Itchow is reported betrothed to Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm. She is now his guest at Doorn, Holland, according to German newspapers. She is the wealthy widow of a colonel in the Danzig Hussars and first met the Kaiser during military maneuvers.

## What Pendleton Grade Schools Are Doing

**HAWTHORNE SCHOOL**

**First Grade**  
In art this week the first grade have made some very beautiful little dolls in various colors and designs in preparatory to making snowflakes next week.

**Third Grade**  
In the third grade the children took great interest in writing letters to Nadyne Louk, who is absent on account of sickness.

Robert Perry made the highest average in written arithmetic this week.

**Fifth and Sixth Grades**  
The fifth grade won in a spelling contest between the fifth and sixth grade. The sixth grade has organized into two groups for their speed and accuracy tests in arithmetic with Cecil Bartley and Elford Houseman as captains. This week Cecil's group won the contest.

**Seventh Grade**  
The attendance for this week has been unusually good in spite of the weather. In the speed and accuracy test Ruth Sherman, Ethel Datty, Jeanette Dedach tied for first place while Francis McGee, Bernice Johnson and Opal Zelony tied for second place. Gilbert Perard is the third in the room to finish all book reports. Up to this date the boys are ahead of the girls for no girl has finished all of the book reports.

The class was sorry to have Frida Aekerman leave for Portland.

Roy Young has finished the room with a large calendar.

Much interest is being manifested in the lettering which is being begun in the art class this week.

In the spelling contest for this week the side with Florence Hurch as captain won. Next week names will be published of the pupils who misspell more than three words during the week.

**Eighth Grade**  
The Speeders beat the Racers in

**BRITISH SEEK NON-BURSTING ARMO TANK**

LONDON, Jan. 9.—(U. N. S.)—Experiments with an airplane petrol tank, which can be dropped from any height without bursting, have been made at Farnborough Airframe.

Enclosed to a running engine, the tank was dropped from the top of the highest airplane shed onto a concrete base and did not burst.

Many airmen have lost their lives through petrol tanks bursting and catching fire.

**Air-Land Race**

Lo Hell, auto speed demon, and Unge, Germany's foremost air pilot, were almost on even terms when this photograph was made as they raced in the suburbs of Berlin. The airplane won, despite a handicap in favor of the auto.

Lot 2 Contains

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**EVERY COAT MUST GO IN THIS JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE**

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Lot 1 contains coats, all new this season, formerly selling at \$36.50, \$39.50, \$45.50, \$57.50, \$69.50 and \$79.50

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