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## May Day

Probably no festival antedates May day in antiquity. It has every where and among all peoples been an important period in the religion of nature worship. Even at the present time, ancient ceremonies, coming down from the childhood of humanity, are practised among the peasantry of the old world.

Among the gypsies, the children still wreath their heads and waists with leavy twigs, symbolic of the spirit of vegetation, and dancing and singing, go from house to house. Sometimes this spirit is represented by a boy, called "Green George." The chimney sweepers of England were long associated with this ceremony, one of their number being chosen "Jack-in-the-Green." In some places it is the custom to carry a doll, dressed in green leaves, called the May doll, or else a branch known as the May bough, instead of personally enacting spring. The festival of dancing around a tree or May-pole is another manifestation of the same idea.

Primitive man was interested in two things, food, which was essential to his existence, and reproduction, which was necessary to the preservation of the tribe. About these two wants evolved the first religions, nature or earth worship for crop abundance and sex-worship, for perpetuation of the species. May day combined the symbolic religious rites of both.

"As civilization advanced, the gross symbols of creative power were cast aside and priestly ingenuity was taxed to the utmost in inventing a crowd of less obvious emblems, which should represent the ancient ideas in a decorous manner" says John Newton in an essay on the Assyrian "Grove and other symbols." The old belief was retained but in a mysterious or sublimated form. Among the symbols was the May-pole, which originated at a very remote period as an emblem of ancient worship and became associated with certain religious rites.

A description of May day in England 400 years ago states that men and women went into the woods in search of a tree and brought it back to the village next morning. The night was spent in excesses, similar to those of the Roman Bacchanalia. A procession was formed, garlands were added to the May pole which was set up in the village square where festivities were held.

The Puritans referred to the May pole as an idol—as it undoubtedly was when originated. Until recent years there was a May pole in one of the squares of London and Samuel Pepys in his diary speaks of seeking them in the door-yards of prominent citizens of Holland. A festival, much the same was held in ancient Rome, and also in India, and the first of May was a favorite time for all nature worship with the ancients.

## Grant's Opinion

Last week the centenary of the birth of Ulysses Simpson Grant was nationally observed. The fact that the nation is today passing through a period of deflation and reconstruction very similar to that when General Grant occupied the White House, makes his utterances of great interest.

In the time of Grant's presidency, as today, the nation was menaced with secret oath-bound societies arrogating to themselves all the Americanism in the land, parading as super-patriots and attempting to dictate politics. Concerning them, General Grant said:

All secret, oath-bound political parties are dangerous to any nation, no matter how pure or how patriotic the motives and principles which first bring them together. No political party can or ought to exist when one of its corner-stones is opposition to freedom of thought and to the right to worship God "according to the dictate of one's own conscience," or according to the creed of any religious denomination whatever. Nevertheless, if a sect sets up its laws as binding above the State laws, wherever the two come in conflict this claim must be resisted and suppressed at whatever cost.

During the troublesome days of unrest and discontent following the civil war, the Ku Klux Klan flourished and rapidly became a menace to the country. It was General Grant who ruthlessly suppressed the order, using the United States army to attack and round-up its members as enemies of the republic. Concerning it, he said:

"Reckless and lawless men have associated themselves together in some localities to deprive other citizens of those rights guaranteed to them by the constitution of the United States, and to that end have committed deeds of violence and bloodshed. A great majority of the people in all parts of the country, favor the full enjoyment by all classes of persons of those rights to which they are entitled under the constitution and the laws. We invoke the aid and influence of all good citizens to prevent organizations whose objects are by unlawful means to interfere with those rights."

"There has been imposed upon the executive branch of the government the execution of an act of congress commonly known as the Ku Klux law. Under the provisions of this act, it is the purpose of the government to exercise such powers for the purpose of securing to all citizens of the United States the peaceful enjoyment of the rights guaranteed to them by the constitution."

"Thousands of inoffensive and well disposed citizens have been the sufferers of this lawless violence. Therefore, a proclamation has been issued, in terms of the law, calling upon the members of these combinations to disperse within five days and to deliver to the United States all arms, ammunition, uniforms, disguises and other means and implements used by them for carrying out their unlawful purposes."

The Ku Klux Klan of today is only a weak imitation of the original order—a commercial capitalization of religious and racial prejudices and hatreds and the latent gang or lynch spirit for the profit of the organizers, utilizing the picturesque regalia and absurd nomenclature of the old Klan, but if its outrages continue, there is small question but that it will be as ruthlessly suppressed as it was in Grant's day.

## LODGE MEMBERS GIVE CUTSFORTH'S SURPRISE

Gervais, Or., May 1.—Lodge sisters and brothers of Mr. and Mrs. Cutsforth surprised them Wednesday evening with a house warming at their new home on the Pacific highway south of Gervais. Games and conversation were the pleasures of the evening with the addition of presenting Mr. Cutsforth, who has been worthy patron of the Gervais chapter of the O. E. S. for the past six years, with a watch chain, the emblem of the great order and a very appropriate piece was recited by Mrs. Scott Jones. Lunch served by the guests at a late hour.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Booster, Mr. and Mrs. John Harper, Mr. and Mrs. W. Olshup, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. J. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. John Inlath, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. E. Neffner, Mrs. Scott Jones, Mrs. S. Jones, Howard Booster, Miss Amy Harding, Miss Sylvia Jones, Miss Vera Keppinger, Miss Myrtle Inlath, Miss Arta Jones, Miss Alice Colliard, Miss Bonnie Miller and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cutsforth.

Precaution with fire in forests in good citizenship.

If you expect a tired business man to do any spring digging, you will have to give him a golf club.

# Love's Masquerade

By Idah McGlone Gibson  
A DRAMATIC STORY OF LOVE AND ROMANCE

**Love's Masquerade.**  
From out the rosy mists of Dawn there descended into the maelstrom of life a beautiful white angel whose fluttering wings were tipped with gold. His name was Love. And here Love, the divine passion, encountered the human appetite of Selfishness, Envy, Greed, Ambition, Treason, Pride and Vice and Jealousy. Amid this jostling throng Love drew back, abashed. But he was discovered and the crowds laughed at him in scornful derision, and he was thrust aside roughly, as one of whom to be ashamed. And so, Love weaved him a garment that he might hide his wings, which were tipped with gold, and forever and ever he is invisible, save to those who believe in him and whose brave hearts penetrate his masquerade.

**As a Man Thinketh.**  
"Look! There goes 'the American Beauty'—the most dangerous man in town!"  
At the exclamation, made in an eager boyish voice, Dr. George Milton raised his eyes rather languidly. He told himself that at forty-four he had reached an age when "vamps" neither interested nor tempted him. However, he could not help overhearing the conversation of a group of young men.

"It is whispered," continued the youthful voice, "that she is the woman in the Glendening divorce case."  
Dr. Milton lowered his paper abruptly. This put an entirely different aspect on the matter. Through a peculiar chain of circumstances his life was inextricably bound up in the Glendening affair. Although everyone in town would have protested vigorously at the slightest intimation that their famous physician knew anything about the case except, possibly, in an impersonal professional way yet he actually knew more about some phases of it than the principals themselves.

Dr. Milton was seated in a somewhat secluded corner of the hotel lobby—a place he rather effected at tea time. He liked to watch the men and women who sauntered past. It was his life's work to mend the poor abused

bodies of men and women, and he found his greatest personal pleasure in searching their souls for at least an atom of that burning fire human beings are wont to call divine.

"So that is 'the American Beauty,' the woman Margaret told me about," he mused as he studied the "vamp," intently appraising her. Then, to himself, he continued, "Margaret is correct. She is a woman who attracts men by sheer physical beauty and who holds none of them because she only has egotism where her soul should be. She is a woman in whom all men would expect to find the unfulfilled desires of their hearts; a woman who beckons irresistibly but disappoints completely; a woman who does not know the power of her magnetism. She is a woman who is as dangerous to herself as she is to society."

"I don't blame Glendening," droned another voice behind Dr. Milton. "That wife of his is pretty much of a lemon. I never could understand why he married her."  
"Oh, she caught Glendening just as the most of us will be caught," interposed a youthful voice that tried to be blasé, but which only expressed the empty cock-sureness of youth. "He was lonely and she just happened to be the only woman around. But she is good-looking."

"How do you know the 'vamp' made the trouble?" broke in another voice. "Harry has had all sorts of affairs since his marriage. I could mention a score of women in town who at this moment are probably shaking in their shoes for fear their names will be connected with his divorce."

"Glendening thinks that he must have some change from his stupid stodgy (home life or go crazy. His domestic relations have always seemed a little more uninteresting—a little more unbearable than those of most of my married friends."  
"Good Lord, Jack, how do you revere marriage," laughed another.

"Do any of the young men or women of today admire marriage? True, we cannot help falling in love and we marry—and then the next thing is to get out of it as soon as possible."  
(Tomorrow—Some Modern Marriage Ideas.)

## OPEN FORUM

Contributions to this Column must be plainly written on one side of paper, limited to 300 words in length and signed with the name of the writer. Articles not meeting these specifications will be rejected.

To the Editor:—I have been reading your editorials against the K. K. K. and sometimes I think you err in your thoughts against them. Of course they make mistakes and are not perfect, but did you ever try to get officials to perform for you and have them dismiss your case lightly, like they did for one party that I know, and tell you you had better be careful or that man will get you into trouble. Then it appears to me we need someone who is neither afraid nor can be bought off, and when the man in question is known for his lack of honor, yet claims he is a Pinkerton detective—not yet resigned—it makes us who have been born and bred to follow the way of honor, wonder where we are and who to vote for or whether its any use to vote at all. We have been reading and hearing a lot about men wanting office only for the swivel chair and the salary, and when we know that if they want it, they can have justice and if it was their own case they would have everything done but if you have no money you have no chance. A white slaver can sell a girl and use his money to buy his way through, while an honest person has no chance at all, except with money.

I have made a test of official honesty and have found them wanting—God will judge them for no man will do it except for money—when we as a nation have fallen so low that no justice can come except by money. It's big time for a change. Political nausea has already affected the national stomach and few have any faith in our politicians. Recently a young wife disappeared; her husband was simple in his tastes and habits and always honest until he met a man who became enamored of his wife, who also was only a child mentally yet honest at heart, and this false friend whom we will call Jack for short, followed them up, securing work alongside the unsuspecting husband. Finally having a patent he claimed he was going to realize on he made great pretense of being interested in their welfare and proposed to buy them a home putting it in the wife's name and it was this that made the wife think his intentions were good, but finally he proposed to the wife to leave the husband for a week or so and they would look out the location and give her husband the surprise of his life and also give her something for her mother. It was this that made her leave the note telling her husband she was going in quest of a home and she was so elated over it that she was easily victimized into a trap. All of a sudden Jack has money, maybe he got it on his patent. Anyway he goes to the sorrowing husband who know something evil is at hand and tells him he would

get a divorce and teach her a lesson. Later he advised him he would commit suicide if he felt so bad and got out of his misery. Of course his wonderful friendship was showing up in its true light and the husband turned on him and says: "Jack, we never had any trouble before we met you." And to offset any suspicion he says: "I give you \$100 to offer as a reward for her." But he did not do that, and all of a sudden he showed his teeth and the cloven foot. Previous to all this he went to several employers and advised them that this husband was a crook and succeeded in getting him turned down by several of them. Yet he followed them up all along protesting his deep friendship while Judas-like he was a traitor to them in every way possible, even estranging his wife's people from him for a time by going to them and telling falsehood which was proven later. In one instance he took some tools—not his own—he called it borrowing them and gave them to the husband to work with, then the owner immediately got a tip and the husband barely escaped a plot to land him in the pen. All of which proves the subtlety of evil which always victimizes those who are more honest and trusting.

He also on another occasion urged the husband to accompany him on his quiet evening raids over potato fields where he borrowed some potatoes, telling him no bones person could get along nowadays; declared he owed everybody and never intended to pay them, but added, "I am getting along better than you." But the husband accustomed to leading an honorable life rebelled and did not care for his way and moved to another neighborhood. But Jack went so far as to go to the folks relatives to enquire where they lived, with the sequence of the wife's disappearance.

Is it the office of law to bring to justice the evil doer? Or do they by omission aid the criminal class? A little experience will enable you to answer my question. One official alone can not do it all. Governor Olcott is not afraid to do his duty and I for one shall not be afraid to cast my vote for him when election day comes. There are many Jacks turned loose in the world who adroitly manage to get their victims behind prison walls so they can not talk or if they do they will be discredited. This one has a wife and five or six children, but he has a borrowing disposition and it is to be hoped he has borrowed once too often.

LAURA J. BONE  
Aumsville, Or., April 28, 1922.

**Mr. Rigdon's Candidacy.**  
To the Editor:—Will you kindly give place to the following:  
To the legal voters of Salem—

## SAP AND SALT

BY Bert Moses  
The absence of noise is always noticeable in a gentleman.

Prohibition would be helped a great deal if men could only get a duck's viewpoint of water.

Intellectual people often exhibit a remarkable genius for evading real work.

Politics is an arrangement that considers the "good of the party" more important than the "good of the people."

So long as faith lasts in this world there will always be a steady sale for corn cures.

Rowboats and fountain pens are about a stand-off in the matter of leaking.

**Hez Heck Says:**  
A good looking preacher gets the most temptations.

As you are all aware that one the 19th of the coming May a primary election will be held in Salem for the nomination of candidates for the various city offices as well as for state and county offices, you may also have noticed through the press that the undersigned will be placed upon the ballot for nomination to the office of mayor for the city of Salem.

Now I wish to say once for all a few words as to my candidacy. I have lived in Marion county nearly all my life and have done business in Salem almost continuously since I became old enough to do business on my own account. The major part of my school education was obtained at Willamette university. For two years I was a member of the lower house of our legislature, for four years a member of the city council. My whole history, good or bad, as it may be, is an open book before you—and on this alone I must judge. I have always regarded pre-election promises as worthless. They are usually made for vote-getting purposes only, so I beg to be excused from that innocent but delusive practice.

Look over my history in office and out of office, then should you conclude that my course has been sincere, sensible and sane, and would likely continue to be the same, and that my efforts in the interests of Salem through an eye single to the best interests of all the people would be energetically propagated, then I should be pleased to have your support. I am pleased to know that there are three other candidates, good and honorable men, for the office of mayor, so my election is not especially necessary in the cause for good government. There is no special crisis on; merely which one of the candidates is best fitted or is in the best position to handle the office, the best equip-

Six hundred nine applications for cash amounting to \$152,000 and 110 applications for loans amounting to \$230,000 were approved by the bonus commission at its last meeting. The total number of cash applications approved by the commission amounts to \$390 aggregating \$2,347,250, loans amount to 591 aggregating \$1,301,000.

Man-caused forest fires are preventable—Do your part.

## SUIT SALE

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Reserved numbered chair sale show day at Red Cross Pharmacy, State Street, at same price charged on grounds.

Prices 50 and 75 Cents.


## PROCEEDS OF AUCTION TO GO TOWARD RELIEF

Dallas, Or., May 1.—Beginning at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, May 11, there will be an auction sale of donated articles at the D. D. Peters farm, the entire proceeds to go to the Russian farm sufferers. The articles have been collected by the relief committee formed by the Menonite relief congregation, through which much of the Russian relief has been carried on. Although the committee ready has a large variety of articles that will be placed on sale is prepared in any way to fully accept them.

## LADD & BUSH

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## HUBBS for Senator



For many years, the northern end of Marion county has been without representation in the state legislature—and fair play and a square deal both demand that this important section be represented.

For such representation, the citizens of Silverton present one of Silverton's leading and most progressive citizens, George W. Hubbs, long identified with every movement for the development and up-building of the county.

Mr. Hubbs records proves his qualification for conducting public affairs in a conservative, economical and business-like manner and he will make good for county and state as he has for his own city.

Mr. Hubbs is forty-two years of age, has been largely engaged in farming and farm activities in Marion County, where he has resided since the year 1902. Mr. Hubbs is a member of the School Board for the local School District, which position he has held for more than ten years. Likewise, he has been a member of the Council of the City of Silverton for an equal length of time. Locally, much credit is given to him for the economical way in which the City of Silverton is operated. Silverton has approximately one-half larger population than her neighboring municipality Woodburn, but her total budget levy for this year was about \$8,000.00 as compared with \$14,000.00 for Woodburn.

Mr. Hubbs is a member of the County Educational Board, took an active part in the good roads building in this County, and is a member of the National Good Roads Association. He is a first class businessman, has correct ideals and is in no sense a radical. He stands for lower taxes, to be attained by sane and proper methods, but believes in eliminating every superfluous office and commission that can be dispensed with without impairing the efficiency of the State Government.

(Paid Advertisement by Hubbs for Senator Club of Silverton)

## Put a Live Man on the Job



### Vote For O. H. Fithian

Republican Candidate For National Committeeman ON MAY 19

A Real Republican Against a Politician

<b>FITHIAN'S PLATFORM</b> Here is what Fithian has to say on questions affecting Oregon: <b>AID FARMERS</b> "I shall help to obtain for Oregon farmers their just share of loans from the War Finance Corporation." <b>HELP LIVESTOCK MEN</b> "I shall work for progressive legislation for relief of our farmers and livestock men." <b>RECOGNIZE VETERANS</b> "I favor just, prompt and substantial recognition of our war veterans."	<b>WILLIAMS' PLATFORM</b> Here is what Fithian's opponent, Ralph E. Williams, has to say on those same questions: <b>NOTHING.</b> <b>NOTHING.</b> <b>NOTHING.</b>
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**VOTE FOR A LIVE REPUBLICAN LIKE FITHIAN, WHO WILL GET SOMETHING FOR OREGON AND HER PEOPLE. HIS OPPONENT, WILLIAMS, HAS HELD THE JOB OF NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN FOR 14 YEARS. CAN YOU MENTION A SINGLE SUBSTANTIAL THING THAT WILLIAMS HAS DONE FOR OREGON IN ALL THAT TIME? IT IS TIME TO MAKE A CHANGE.**

**VOTE FOR FITHIAN**

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By Chas. T. Early, President.  
Robt. G. McNary, Secretary.  
Chas. W. Eberlein, Treasurer  
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