

Bishop's Lenten Pastoral

Oregon is not an irreligious country but the religious life is lacking in quality. As a watchman set upon the wall it is my duty to sound the note of warning against religious apathy, indifference, the spirit of impiety evidenced in lack of attendance on the part of many at public worship, the dull spiritual inertia of many, making them mere loiterers around the barracks who in baptism were engaged to fight manfully under Christ's banner, and a practical maternalism which disbelieves the teachings of Christ. It would be easy, and in keeping with the spirit of the age, to say that these things are but figments of the imagination, that being evil they do not exist, and to cry "peace"; but the word of the Lord to Ezekiel rings in my ears: "I have made thee a watchman; therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me." Oregon is developing rapidly on commercial and material lines; its resources, so largely undeveloped at present, are enormous and are attracting thousands of settlers in whom the struggle for existence demands an attention to material, earthly things of time and sense which tends to dull the realization of eternal realities. In all its forms SIN means a misconception of the proportion of things. It is this which condemns so severely the easy-going worldliness which is clear of grosser falls, yet never fastens on life's secret. It is the sin of misconception, of misdirection, of wrong perspective. Round and above us the great work of God moves, presses forward, and strains to its fulfillment. Eternal issues are at stake; voices call us to the work; angels reach out helping hands; the holy spirit urges, beseeches, invites. And what are we about? What fleeting interests occupy our attention? On what contemptible littleness is our desire set? What folly it all is! Lost and busy in the thick of occupations that can have no issue, no fruit hereafter, we are in danger of becoming blind to the glory of our eternal destiny in Christ Jesus. Against us, as inevitably as against him who of old saw nothing to do here but to build barns and lay up earthly treasures, it is God Himself who utters the sentence, "Thou foul; how can it profit a man to gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" To rescue the soul from this loss, to release it, to recover it, to pluck it out of the snare, to open a passage by which it may escape into air and light our freedom, to save ourselves from making a fatal miscalculation—that is our Lenten work. This is worth a little pains a little discipline. It can be done by the power and Grace of God. We have no means of knowing what Jesus would do were He here in Oregon and in this age. We know very well what He has told us to do if we have ears to hear. Jesus SAID: "If any man will come after Me let him deny himself, and take up his cross and FOLLOW ME." God grant that we may all cherish during this Lenten season each opportunity offered in the frequent services of the Church, to get right perspective of life, to see eternal things, to hear the voice of God and not only the din of the world, and to renew and strengthen our Christian character.

Affectionately,
CHARLES SCADDING,
Bishop of Oregon.

Octopus Fights For Lower Fine

Chicago, Feb. 24—Making a motion which if sustained would reduce the Standard Oil Company's liability to fines, if again convicted, from \$29,240,000 to \$25,000, Attorney Miller, for the Rockefeller concern, today charged in the trial of the famous rebate case that the government was abusing the Elkins act so as to make it a means of producing revenue rather than a means of vindicating and reinforcing the law.

He argued that the court should fix the unit by which the offense

charged against the Standard could be measured. He charged that the government was endeavoring to mulct the Standard heavily in an attempt to obtain another decision similar to that handed down by Judge Landis.

Miller argued that the United States circuit court of appeals, in its decision reversing the Landis fine, has declared the number of offenses for which the Standard was liable was the number of complete transactions and not the number of carload lots nor the number of shipments.

Miller declared that under the decision of the court of appeals it was impossible for the judge to construe the separate acts alleged in the indictment as complete transactions and on this basis attacked the indictment under which the company has been brought into court.

He asked that the court make a ruling holding that the offense must be considered on the basis of each complete transaction's forming one alleged offense.

Judge Landis, in assessing the famous fine, held that each carload lot of oil on which a rebate was given constituted a separate offense, and he computed the fine by multiplying the full limit fine by the number of cars shipped.

The court took a recess to consider Miller's motion.

It is to Fight

To get a square deal from the Harriman interests it is necessary to fight; such, at least, is the situation in Oregon. Business men of Portland have taken that view of the matter, and a plan of battle has been outlined that certainly ought to prove effective if state pride and ultimate self-interest shall be considered by the greater number of shippers.

Coercion is rather a disagreeable word. The act itself which the word expresses is familiar to great corporations, but not in the subjective sense. The other fellow is always the victim, and naturally enough the corporation will strenuously resist any attempt to reverse the usual order. But Portland shippers have much the better of the situation in the present controversy, and if the view of the matter is broad enough, as involving future interests, Portland alone should be well nigh able to successfully fight the state's battle for railroad extension. In any event, the Harriman policy in the State of Oregon makes a fight preferable and more creditable than supine submission.

As a matter of corporate bluffing, the Harriman people may say to the shippers of Portland, "Go to." But the contemptuous admonition is not so potent as it was at one time, unless, indeed, by volition of the shipper themselves. The cream of Oregon business for the railroads is to be skimmed here in Portland, and when the Portland business man may elect as to who shall be the recipient of his patronage, he is in position, if unanimity and steadfastness of purpose be maintained, to demand where hitherto he has been a suppliant.

In all controversy with corporations, railroads and otherwise, the argument which affects the pocket-book touches the vulnerable point. Make that argument sufficiently strong and whatever you want that's within reason you get it.—Telegram.

Roseburg is elated over having got out of the mossback class by the very decisive majority of 9 to 1 last Saturday. The proposition was the voting of \$35,000 street paving bonds, and the people of that city were for it 484 to 54 against. That is about as strongly in favor of progress as could be asked, unless the vote might be unanimous. It means something doing in that city this summer.

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Not So Bad as Fiction Makes Out

(Outing Magazine)

Killing a man was never regarded a joke in the Western country and the Western man, as least as I knew him, was about as far removed from the grotesque clown of magazine-dom or the stage as day is from night; yet men once went armed in the West, and sometimes the recklessness of disgruntled, self-disguised, desperate men, mostly sullen or excited by whiskey, led to fatal shootings. It was not a popular sport or pastime to kill men, and those who did so made no overwhelming majority of the population, any more than they do today in the Eastern cities. But even allowing the folly and inaccuracy and exaggeration of common estimates, the truth remains that to the average American, the Western cow-puncher, the plainsman, the border dweller, remain figures of a romantic interest; and underneath the erroneous, and in spite of the spurious ideas regarding them, there was enough of the real fighting man, the warrior, the armed hero, who has always been the darling of the populace from the Crusades down, to warrant the investing halo, even though at times the latter was a trifle large and ultra burnished. There is no doubt that the finest body of light cavalry the world ever saw could have been recruited from the young cattleman of the Western plains 20 years or so ago. They were hardy, tough, enduring, used to rough living and hard riding, needed small outfit and little sleeping gear, and were acquainted with violent deeds and daily perils. Moreover, they had a compact, portable and efficient arm, with which each and every man was familiar, and with which many were highly expert.

Rich Man Marries Washer-Woman

Elgin, Ill., Feb. 23—M. B. Getzleman, millionaire banker and owner of the Elgin National Bank, the Bank of Algonquin and the St. Charles National Bank, today wired Mrs. Charles J. Schmidt, of Elgin, his daughter, that he had married Mrs. Hulda Dobler, 40 years old and handsome, and was on the way to Florida with her. The news created a stir in Elgin, where Mr. Getzleman, who is over 70, is known as a close financier, and was believed to be without a trace of sentiment.

The aged banker first met his bride 18 years ago, when her husband was a clerk in his employ. Several years later her husband died. Two years ago the first Mrs. Getzleman, who died one year ago, engaged Mrs. Dobler to do some washing and ironing for her. Only a week ago Mrs. Dobler discontinued her work as washerwoman for families in Elgin by whom she was engaged.

Bars Express Franking

Washington, Feb. 23—In an opinion by Justice Day in various cases of the United States against express companies, the Supreme Court of the United States held today that under the Elkins law express companies could not legally frank the property of their own employees or those of other companies. The decision held that to grant this privilege would be to exercise an undue preference under the law prohibiting the giving of rates not included in the published schedule.

Justice Day in his opinion declared that there was no reason why Congress should not grant the express companies the privileges enjoyed by the railroad companies, but that the law must be applied by Congress and not by the courts.

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Notice of Application for a United States Patent to Mineral Lands, United States Land Office, Roseburg Oregon Jan. 20, 1909.

Mineral application No. 0914

Notice is hereby given that Clayton B. Zeek, Mattie J. Zeek and Adam Pershaker, the first two of Bandon, Coos county, Oregon, and the latter of Prosper, Coos county, Oregon and all residents and citizens within the said county and state, have applied for a patent to certain placer ground in the said county and state in the Finch Mining District, more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

E 1-2 ne 1-4 nw 1-4 section 4, Tp. 28 south of range 14 west of Willamette Meridian, and lots numbered one and two, said lots being a part of ne 1-4 section 33, following Tp. and range; ne 1-4 nw 1-4; sw 1-4 sw 1-4 ne 1-4; e 1-2 ne 1-4 sw 1-4, section 33, Tp. 27 south of range 14 west of Willamette Meridian, containing in all 134.885 acres.

The said applicants and their assignors having located and applied to patent said placer lands as the "Independence Placer Mine" and in their name as associated, the "Independence Mining Company," the said Independence Placer Mine and the location thereof, being of record in the office of the county clerk of Coos county, Oregon, in Book 2 of Mining Records at Page 453 of said record, dated August 25, 1904.

The said "Independence Placer Mine" and the original location thereof conform in every way to the legal subdivisions of the Government surveys, the adjoining claims are the Pioneer Placer Claim and the Eagle Mining Claim.

Any and all persons claiming adversely in any way the above described lands or any portion thereof, are hereby notified that unless their adverse claims are duly filed according to law and the rule and regulations thereunder, within 60 days from the date hereof, with the Register of the United States Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, the said adverse claims will be barred, by virtue of the laws of the United States governing such matters, and publication of this notice is hereby ordered for the period of sixty days, continuously, in the Bandon Recorder, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, hereby designated as nearest to the above described land.

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