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"It would be a mistake to nominate me unless the country has in its mood something of the heroic."—Col. Roosevelt.

Move to amend by striking out as impertinent and irrelevant all after the pronoun.

The buzzing presidential bee is quadrupled in the Fairbanks of Indiana.

"The birds of spring are on the wing, they chirp in every tree; and soon we'll wish away to fish with bait enough for three."—Exchange.

Wal, we dunno. We reckon Kernel Boyd would say that two gullin ain't any too much bait for wan.

Germany is so resourceful that it can readily produce an apology for every torpedo.

Our own late unpleasantness may have been of lesser magnitude than the European mixup, but it was at least a civil war.

We are able this week to authoritatively announce that Old Sol has not deserted to another planetary system.

"T. R. Discovers Bird With Whiskers That Eats Nuts at Night."—Journal.

There's one around an Athena sanctum that might prove edible enough, if this nut-eating bird is immune from stomach trouble.

Our own war with Villa is at least big enough to crowd Europe's little fracas off the first page.

In order to "hang Pancho Villa on a sour apple tree," the trifling details only remain of catching him first and then finding the tree.

Villa is pronounced Vee-ah—and likewise diabolical.

The Weakly Bulldogger is charitable enough to explain that the presence of Mayor Best, Superintendent Young and Coroner Brown in Milton on a campaigning trip at the time the postoffice safe was blown, was "merely a coincidence." All the same, it would be well enough to frisk 'em.

Woman editor was prevented from horsewhipping a man editor at Klamath Falls, thus forestalling a dangerous precedent.

Lord Northcliffe says the Germans are dragged for their charging; but innocent Americans are charged for their dragging—at war prices, too!

"What has become of the fellow who used to corner you in front of the bulletin board and explain to you the correct way to pronounce 'Przemysl'?"—Dean Collins in The Oregonian.

We buried him at midnight under the lone pine, with the craven coyotes chanting his requiem.

Portland's city wood pile is short a thousand cords, which the authorities regard as sinister evidence of a burning shame.

American scientists are hunting a blue tiger in central Asia. We can remember the time right here in this county when the hunter was blue after finding the tiger.

The Kaiser has presented the Sultan with the baton of a German field marshal, but a pair of running shoes might come in handy if the Russians keep on rushing.

If the German people want peace they could doubtless secure it under the most favorable of terms by first depositing the house of Hohenzollern.

The trained army dogs of Europe bring succor to friend and foe alike—which of course merely proves that they are dogs.

With America's leading humorist at the Willard-Moran ringside, we had succulent kernels of fistic misinformation right off the Cobb, so to speak.

If any baseball magnate in the Blue Mountain league puts anything over on the president he'll have to saw Wood, and saw Wood in two.

From the amount, variety and attractiveness of the stocks now carried it becomes quite evident that if Weston people do not trade at home it will not be the fault of the local stores.

Reading again that war with Germany is "imminent," most of us mentally turn over and snore, serene in the notion that it is about as imminent as the end of the world.

In view of the fact that Uncle Sam has no weapon but a pork barrel, it seems to us that the Administration's prudence should not be so often and so bitterly condemned as cowardice.

We concur with Roy Ritner in his loyal sentiment that "Pendleton gets there with its own feet;" but in recalling its local election ebullience we are reminded that Pendleton raises the very deuce of an odor when it proceeds to change its sox.

Engene man, 103 years old, says he has used tobacco 96 years—having thus confessed to practically wasting five years of his life.

The Warren Bros. Construction company is cutting a fifty percent dividend melon, which indicates that it manages to get its bit out of bithulitic.

Evening Telegram says that what Portland needs is community team work—which is all right enough, we woen, if the community's team is helped by community steam.

Charlie Chaplin is to get \$650,000 a year, we are told, which in this case is three or four ciphers excess salary.

Cotton Sacks for Wheat.

Eastern Washington farmers are talking cotton sacks to counteract the so-called "war prices" that dealers are putting on jute bags. They express the belief that importers are holding back their sacks with a view of getting higher prices later, using the war demand as an excuse. At any rate, they say, jute comes from India, and it is time to break away from the British and build up American industries.

At a meeting of the Tri-County Farmers Union in Dayton Saturday it was decided to correspond with Dr. H. P. Alexander of Matthews, N. C., president of the North Carolina Farmers Union, to see what can be done.

Dr. Alexander is a brother of A. F. Alexander of the Up-to-the-Times magazine. The latter says that while he has no figures at hand now he is fully convinced that a cheap cotton sack good for a year's use can be made, shipped by the Panama canal and laid down inland at prices, less than wanted for the jute bags.

"Of course, the sacks would not be made of the finer grades of cotton," says Mr. Alexander, "but of what is known as yellow, strains or late cotton—cotton with the strength of the more valuable article, but not suitable by reason of color for fine goods." "Ships can be secured for this business when the canal is opened. There is no question of that. The northwest will use 60,000,000 bags this year."

To Whom It May Concern:
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Weston, Or., March 25, 1916.

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OSMER E. SMITH IS IN THE RACE

Osmer E. Smith of Pendleton has announced himself as a candidate for the office of district attorney of Umatilla county. Mr. Smith is a native of Wisconsin, where he received his early schooling. Later he attended the University of Colorado, at Boulder, Colorado, from which institution he was graduated in the year 1910. He has always been a republican and has been a resident of Umatilla county nearly three years. Upon first coming to Pendleton he was in the law offices of Raley & Raley, but for the past



(Osmer E. Smith.)

year has been practicing by himself with offices in the American National Bank building. He makes the following statement concerning his candidacy: "The office of district attorney is a public office and therefore all persons are entitled to like treatment and benefits. If I am nominated and elected I shall conduct the affairs of the office in an economic and business like manner, with equal consideration to all whether they be rich or poor. I shall endeavor to enforce all laws regardless of who the violators may be. I shall do my very best to apprehend and prosecute all violators of the prohibition and all other laws, and if nominated and elected it will be my earnest desire that the public cooperate with me in their enforcement."
(Paid Adv.)

"Uncle Rube" a Real Reuben.
Weston's reputation as a dramatic center was given another boost Friday evening by the marked success of the Epworth League production, "Uncle Rube." This highly diverting and interesting rural play was presented in a crowded house with a degree of smoothness and understanding seldom approached by amateurs.
Our dramatic critic has a well-developed hunch that if Tim McBride as "Uncle Rube" had fallen under the eye of some Broadway manager, Weston might have lost a useful agriculturist to the professional boards. He had the nasal twang, the action and the make-up for this stellar part, and showed conclusively that he has grabbed off several chunks of histrionic comprehension since his first appearance before the local footlights—not that McBride hasn't always been there or "somewhere with his lines." He seems to have the "know how" intuitively clinched. Dr. Semper, as "Doc" shone out in bucolic distinction to only a lesser degree, and made an excellent foil for Reuben's rustic wit. As the leading "heavy," an aged hypocrite of the countryside replete with "Desnon Smalley," E. L. Blomgren divided honors with the other principals. Villainy lurked in his wrinkled eyes, and drooped from his thin lips in slow and measured tones.
The success attained by these three principals was due in no small measure to the meritorious support accorded by the remainder of the cast. It consisted of Claud Price, Earl Olson, Rulin Smith, Allison Wood, Earl McKenzie, Eliza Morrison, Doris Barnes and Josie Lavender.
The play was directed by Miss Emma Johnson. Pleasing music was furnished between acts by Keen's orchestra.

Thackeray's Satire.
Thackeray created quite erroneous impressions of himself by often indulging in irony in the presence of people who were incapable of understanding it. One curious instance which he gave was this: Thackeray had been dining at the Garrick and was talking in the smoking room after dinner with various club acquaintances. One of them happening to have left his cigar case at home, Thackeray, though disliking the man, who was a notorious tuft hunter, good naturedly offered him one of his cigars. The man accepted the cigar, but not finding it to his liking had the bad taste to say to Thackeray, "I say, Thackeray, you won't mind my saying I don't think much of this cigar." Thackeray, no doubt irritated at the man's ungraciousness and bearing in mind his tuft hunting predilections, quietly responded, "You ought to, my good fellow, for it was given me by a lord." Instead, however, of detecting the irony, the dolt immediately attributed the remark to snobbishness on Thackeray's part and to the end of his days went about declaring that Thackeray had boasted that he had been given a cigar by a lord.

Show Your Gratitude.
Gratitude is one of the prettiest virtues in the bouquet of human virtues. Cultivate it and it will bloom always. Gratitude costs nothing, but repays much, and yet it is a gem of character that is rare indeed.
Never forget the friend who threw you the life line. To do that is treason of the roughest kind. Keep green in your heart the memory of every obligation and lose no opportunity to repay it. Show your gratitude for a kind act done by you by doing a kind act for some one else.
A grateful "Thank you" for a seat in a street car reimburses the man who hangs to a strap. Silently accept the seat as a matter of course and you have started that man on the slide to selfishness.
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No. 100 Berkeley cambric.....15c	Boys' overalls.....25c and 40c
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CAPITAL	100,000.00
Amount of capital stock paid up	100,000.00
INCOME	
Total premium income	58,018,881.83
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	24,800,405.41
Income from other sources received during the year	2,973,342.59
Total income	85,792,630.83
DISBURSEMENTS	
Paid for losses, endorsements, active and surrender value	45,038,373.34
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year	12,345,014.57
Refunds paid on capital stock during the year	7,000.00
Contingencies and salaries paid during the year	6,221,791.50
Total disbursements	63,602,179.41
Net income	22,190,451.42
Amount of all other expenditures	5,005,437.34
Total expenditures	68,607,616.75
ASSETS	
Market value of real estate owned	17,447,508.08
Market value of stocks and bonds owned	209,319,820.37
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	100,000,000.00
Policy loans	97,208,000.00
Cash in hands and on hand	11,000,556.50
Net uncollectible and deferred investments	5,001,364.29
Other assets (not)	6,707,341.34
Total assets	546,730,589.38
Less special deposits in any State (if any)	250,000.00
Total assets admitted in Oregon	546,480,589.38
LIABILITIES	
Net reserves—\$445,000,177.00	445,000,177.00
Total policy claims unpaid	4,200,101.31
All other liabilities	8,914,289.91
Total liabilities	458,114,568.22
Total surplus and undivided profits	88,366,021.16
RESERVES IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total insurance in force December 31, 1915	\$1,220,800,000.00
Total insurance written during the year	1,218,000.00
Gross premiums received during the year	228,028.02
Losses paid during the year	118,207.72
Losses incurred during the year	110,807.72
Total amount of insurance outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1915	7,250,600.00

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Anderson, Deceased.
TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Notice is hereby given that Anna Anderson is the duly appointed and acting executrix of the above entitled estate, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers attached thereto, to said executrix at her home in Weston, Oregon, or at the office of Fee & Fee in Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from the 17th day of March, 1916.
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