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OUT WHERE THE WEST BEGINS.

(NOTE—Back east the question is often asked, "Where does the west begin?" When you are in New York, they call Detroit west; in Detroit, Kansas City is west; in Kansas it is Denver, and in Denver, west is beyond the Rockies. In the following lines Arthur Chapman answers the question and tells us where the west begins.)

Out where the handclasp's a little stronger,
Out where the smile dwells a little longer,
That's where the west begins.

Out where the sun is a little brighter,
Where the bonds of home are a wee bit tighter—
Where there's more of singing and less of sighing,
That's where the west begins.

Out where the skies are a trifle bluer,
Out where friendship's a little truer,
That's where the west begins.

Out where the fresher breeze is blowing,
Where there's laughter in every stream-let flowing,
Where there's more of reaping and less of sowing,
That's where the west begins.

Out where the world is in the making,
Where fewer hearts with despair are aching,
That's where the west begins.

Where the snows that fall are a trifle whiter,
Where there is more of giving and less of buying,
And a man makes friends without halt trying—
That's where the west begins.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE MAY NOT BE PEOPLE'S CHOICE.

THE COQUILLE Sentinel, in speaking of the fact that David M. Dunne and Charles W. Fulton, candidates for delegates to the national republican convention, are circulating petitions to get their names on the ballot in order to avoid being bound by the people's choice for president, says: "The man who announces in advance that he is unwilling to be bound by the people's choice doesn't look good to us as a delegate."

Ordinarily Brother Young's ideas are sound and his reasoning unassailable, but in this case he has the wrong bunch. Oregon republicans are in a peculiar position this year. Unquestionably Justice Hughes is the choice of 90 per cent of the republicans of Oregon, but it will be impossible for the voters to indicate that fact, because Mr. Hughes will not permit his name to be used.

But there is rather more than an even chance that Hughes will be the choice of the larger number of delegates when the convention meets.

Two votes may swing the nomination to Mr. Hughes.

Messrs. Dunne and Fulton know that Hughes is the choice of the majority of Oregon republicans.

It is for the very purpose of being able to vote for the choice of Oregon republicans that they wish to be unpledged.

To attempt to pledge them would de-

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feat the will of the majority of Oregon republicans, for the reason that the voters will not be able to indicate their real choice except by writing the name in on the ballot—and results are seldom accomplished that way.

we feel certain that Brother Young will see the untenability of his position and in an early issue do justice to Messrs. Dunne and Fulton.

CONGRESSMAN Hawley has gone through the formality of filing for re-nomination on the republican ticket.

There has been much talk of opposition candidates from different parts of the district, but as yet nothing has developed. Hawley's reputation as a vote-getter dampens the ardor of those who would like to enter the lists against him.

DEMOCRATIC DESERTION OF AMERICAN LIVES.

A PITIFUL story of total disregard for the safety of American lives is told by Henry Reuter in the March Metropolitan. It is a story of how American warships were ordered to desert Americans in Tampico at the time of the occupation of Vera Cruz and how these Americans, deserted by their own government, were saved by German warships. We do not wonder that Secretary of Navy Daniels has suppressed the facts that are now put forward with all the verification necessary to assure their authenticity.

A reading of the story, which in all its detail is almost past belief, will cause the blood of every patriotic citizen to boil with righteous indignation.

Poor Wilson has certainly been unfortunate in the members of his cabinet. In the pity we feel we haven't the heart to criticize the president for his lack of judgment in this direction.

THE OTHER FELLOW'S OX.

ABOUT as flagrant an example of pure, unadulterated 101 per cent inconsistency as has ever been brought to our attention is referred to in an editorial column of the Ashland Tidings. We quote from The Tidings:

"The Business Men's association had under consideration a 'trade at home' campaign. The object was to make a concerted effort to educate the citizens to the unquestionable fact that he could better afford to pay his home merchant a little more for goods than he would have to pay the mail order house for the same article, because every dollar spent with the home merchant stayed in the community to enrich it with ready cash, while the dollar sent away was gone forever and left the community that much the poorer. The idea was a good one and the argument absolutely true.

"But—Hiney Enders took the floor to advocate such a campaign and suggested that the association get together and order a lot of bills for a trade at home campaign. He said he could get them in big lots from the east at a very cheap price.

"What do you think of that?" "Why not as well buy the trade at home campaign bills from Sears-Roebuck? They probably could furnish them cheaper than the home printer who spends his money in town and pays taxes here, and might furnish them cheaper than they could be had from the Portland printer who pays taxes at least in the state.

"There are a few definite reasons why Ashland is not a better town commercially, and Enders has hit the nail on the head without knowing it when he advocates having his trade at home bills printed by a mail order house, while he boycotts the local printer."

A PRETTY THEORY.

EDITOR Brown of the Benton County Courier has ideas of his own, but has no compunction or hesitancy about adopting those of others if they seem to fill the bill.

Several times The Sentinel has said that if the figures given the assessor were accepted as the price at which the property assessed was for sale, there would be a readjustment of assessed valuations that would be somewhere near fair to all.

In a recent issue The Courier elaborates upon the idea.

Of course, assessed valuations will never be absolutely fair and equitable and the method suggested by The Sen-

tinel and The Courier will never be adopted.

In fact the suggestion has at least one serious flaw. That is that much property is not for sale at any price.

Who has a home that he has spent years in building up that he cares to sell at its value on the market?

Many have businesses that they would not care to dispose of at their cash value.

Who would care to dispose of heirlooms at their market value?

Who would care to dispose of a pet dog, or a pet cow, or a pet horse at its market value?

A person having property he did not want to dispose of would have to place its value far above its real worth in order to prevent its sale and again we would have unequal taxation.

The idea is a fine theory but impractical.

What a tight hole a lot of Oregon republican newspapers will be in if Roosevelt should be nominated at the Jun convention.—Benton County Courier.

The Graphic can't speak for others but for this shop in case of such a contingency, we assure the Courier, that the hole will be wide open and the lid off.—Newberg Graphic.

SOME SYSTEM.

WILLAMOOK Headlight: This is a fair question to ask: How, when and where has the Oregon System saved taxpayers money?

Although the advocates of the system made loud promises of reduced taxation, we all know that instead of a reduction in taxation, taxes have been going sky ward, and the funny part of the whole business is that the people haven't as much to say about taxation as they used to. Levying bodies have been added, and when it comes to state county and school taxes, the laws are so fixed that officials have to make certain levies and the only place the taxpayers have a voice in the matter is in the road matters. The Oregon System places the direct taxpayer at the mercy of those who pay no direct tax, scares capital from the state and creates class legislation.

PURCHASE OF FAIR GROUNDS.

IT MAY be a little early yet to talk about it, but there will be a measure on the ballot this fall to appropriate \$20,000 for the purchase of the fair grounds at Eugene.

On the face of it there seems no good reason why private individuals should provide grounds for the county's fair, but there are good reasons why voters outside of Eugene should not vote for such an appropriation at this time.

The principal reason is that they need the money for other things that will do us more good.

Money spent for good roads on which farmers may haul their products to Eugene to be exhibited is a far greater need.

A few years from now, after the return of prosperity, we may be able to afford the luxury of \$20,000 worth of ground for a county fair—but not now.

And it is not entirely unfair to ask the private owners of the fair grounds to hang on to their property awhile longer.

The fair grounds are owned entirely, as far as we know, by Eugene citizens who receive an indirect return on their investment out of the money spent by

the several thousands who visit the fair each year.

Still another reason is this: When the fair grounds were originally purchased, a part was platted into lots and one or more lots given to each purchaser of stock. Many of those lots have since been sold for several times their original cost and the original purchasers of stock are considerable money ahead now without participating in a division of the "phant" that would result from the sale of the grounds at \$20,000.

Besides, we do not believe the fair grounds are worth \$20,000.

In a few years Eugene may have a little county all to itself and it can then do whatever it darn pleases about buying fair grounds and other luxuries.

Photo Plays Here and There About Plays and Players

Photo Plays

"The Ne'er-Do-Well." "The Ne'er-Do-Well," by Rex Beach, the spectacular drama filmed by the Selig Polyscope company, features Wheeler Oakman and Kathryn Williams and an all-star cast. The hero is Kirk Anthony, a college graduate, a veteran foot ball player, and since graduation, the coach of his university. On the evening following a foot ball victory, the last of the season, Kirk and others start to celebrate. Late that night he finds himself on shipboard, and when he awakens he is without money and without baggage. During the voyage Kirk becomes acquainted with a woman—Mrs. Stephen Cortlandt—whom he learns to admire very much. She is really a diplomatic agent of great influence. One day while Kirk is out hunting he meets in a forest bower, a Spanish girl who is known only as "Chiquita." He falls desperately in love with her, and tries vainly to discover her identity. The story of his making good, of his winning of Chiquita, despite the counter-plottings of Mrs. Cortlandt, of the clearing of his name, and of the final decisive intervention in Panamanian affairs of old Darwin K. Anthony, is strongly engrossing and varied by many richly humorous episodes. Chiquita is by far the most charming feminine character Rex Beach has drawn, and Kathryn Williams as Edith Cortlandt is an exceedingly convincing and fascinating type. "The Ne'er-Do-Well" will be at the Rex theater April 26.

THINGS WE THINK

Things Others Think and What We Think of the Things Others Think.

The two most interesting figures in the approaching campaign are the two colonels—Bryan and Roosevelt. Neither one could be elected in his own right, but they have the power to name the one who shall.

The Russians are using japped weapons.

When it comes to the pork barrel there are too many who try to hog it all.

What a howl there would be if money was squandered on a peace project the way it is on a senseless war.



That "Wade Right In" Feeling—

first thing in the morning—comes naturally with right living.

Daily food plays a big part, for unless it supplies proper rebuilding elements, and is promptly digested, one's mental and physical power is bound to suffer.

Grape-Nuts

the whole wheat and malted barley food, provides all the rich nutriment of the grains, including their vital mineral salts—phosphate of potash, etc.—lacking in the diet of many, but which are necessary for balanced upkeep of body, brain and nerves.

Grape-Nuts has a delicate nut-like flavor; is always ready to serve with cream or milk; is easily digestible; and yields a wonderful return of health and energy.

"There's a Reason"

A lot of long-haired populists of a few years ago are now dyed-in-the-wool democrats.

The man who guides the ship of state around all shoals has well earned his laurels but as a great diplomat he does not compare with the one who shall keep the water wagon from being overturned by boulders along the way.

We wouldn't admit that any other baby is better than our own—because a better baby would be too good for this world and we wouldn't wish to bring any sorrow into the lives of its parents.

A statesman of the present administration has made the statement that money can be handled more safely by women than by men. With us it's not so much a question of safety as of economy.

The person who throws mud makes no attempt to clean up his mess, even after he finds his efforts have been directed at the wrong mark.

After a person's face becomes marked with sin and intemperance, it is impossible to entirely remove the traces by even the most upright life—but a life of crime will quickly disfigure the once spotless window of the soul.

EUGENE'S Spring 1916 Style Exhibit Combined With National

DRESS-UP WEEK

Monday April 3rd to Saturday, April 8th Inclusive

Uncle Sam Says:

"Dress-Up" You Can Afford It

Preparations are now under way to make Dress Up Week a gala day in Eugene. "Dress Up" week is a National Event and the success of Eugene's "Dress Up" week is assured and Eugene will be dressed in her best for the occasion.



To You and Your Friends:

To every man, woman and child we extend a most cordial invitation to come to Eugene and enter into the spirit of "Dress Up" week. Novel displays will be provided for your entertainment. We welcome you, one and all, and assure you that your time will be well spent.

This Invitation Is Signed by All

Eugene Merchants

Come Monday--Come Every Day--We Bid You Welcome