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## CAPITAL MORE FRIENDLY.

THE SENTINEL was one of the first to come out boldly a few years ago and declare that Oregon had been made an unwinning place for capital. We were severely criticized by those who said that instead of helping things we would scare investors away completely. We contended that to keep quiet meant that conditions would get worse, that capital that did come here would soon learn the conditions and warn other capital away and that the only way to accomplish permanent good was to arouse the voters to the conditions that prevailed. That might mean temporary injury, but it would mean that we could achieve our destiny sooner than we would by getting capital here through silent hypocrisy.

Many other papers felt the same way and as a result of a free expression of opinion on the part of newspapers, Oregon voters have served notice that they are done with freak experiments, that single tax will be snowed under deeper every election, no matter in what form it is put on the ballot, and that Oregon offers legitimate protection to honest investment.

That the feeling toward Oregon is changing is borne out by the reports of those returning from the east who say capital has been impressed by the results of recent elections and by the signal defeats of single tax and is looking towards the empire of the Pacific for investments of funds being made through the manufacture of war munitions.

Oregon industries can soon look to the east for money with which to expand, but the good work is not yet complete. Industry is yet hedged about with too many senseless regulations that make the danger and expense of doing business too great.

## TELLING WHAT OTHERS SAY SOME ONE ELSE HAS SAID.

IT IS fortunate indeed that the great Judge on high knows every act of his creatures here below and that they will not be punished for the things others are ready to say they have done, but it is unfortunate that many must suffer here for the things others say they have done, when as a matter of fact they have not done them at all.

The pen may be mightier than the sword but for spreading pain and misery there is nothing that equals the sharp tongue of the tale bearer whose delight is to tell someone something someone else has said about the first one. If the tale bearer always made certain that the tales he told were true, the results might not be so bad. Although quite frequently some heart is wounded by hearing the mean things someone has said, sometimes a good purpose is served by letting the person concerned know of the hypocrisy of some supposed friend, but when the tale bearer carries something of which he does not know the truth, he may needlessly wound the one to whom the tale is borne and may wrong the one who is supposed to have said or done the thing that is told.

To illustrate our point: In the recent city campaign someone carried to one of the candidates a story of what a friend of his had said about him. Having had every reason to expect from this friend at least a friendly reception of his candidacy—having conversed with this friend in a manner to indicate that he expected a friendly reception of his candidacy—he was probably hurt to have someone tell him that this friend had made a very derogatory remark concerning his candidacy. The candidate accepted the statement of the tale bearer as the truth and he too repeated it—and then it got back to the party supposed to have made the original statement.

Had the tale bearer told the truth, a good purpose might have been served, but in this particular case the story was made out of whole cloth and the tale bearer either told a deliberate untruth or repeated without attempt at verification a story someone else had carried to him.

We have known of many similar instances where hearts have been wounded and feelings injured by the telling of things that never happened.

The functions of the tale bearer may well be dispensed with and then many would not be credited with saying or doing things they never thought of and many would be happier because of not

knowing the things others were saying about them, or because of not hearing that friends had said things they did not say.

Of all the stunts we have heard of in recent years to facilitate and promote matrimony, the prize stunt has been pulled off at the University of Oregon, where it has been reported that one of the co-eds is worth a half million dollars in her own name but that her fortune will be kept a secret until after she has been wooed, won and wed.

A correspondent asks if it is true republicanism to refuse to feed democrats. Probably not, but we note that most of the republicans have been crowded away from the pie counter by the democrats during the past four years.

## NO WAR WITH MEXICO.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., Nov. 30, 1916.—Dear Brother Bede: I see you are still preaching war with Mexico. Or is it foreboding war? Well, whichever it is, I want to say to you, "forget it!" There will be no war with Mexico, at least not while Wilson is at the helm. He is too deeply interested in helping Mexico to yield to the ambition to war with her. I believe you are anxious also to help Mexico, but unfortunately you regard war as the only remedial service which we can render her. As an antidote to the mistaken impression, I want to recommend that you read the first article in Collier's of November 25, "Making Friends With Mexico." Surely that is a more laudable ambition. Is there no way of being friends to Mexico except by killing thousands of her people? You may reply that some of them deserve killing. That is probably true; but are they the only people in the world that deserve killing? Have we not sins of our own that deserve expiation? Think of the women and children shot down in cold blood in Colorado a year or so ago. Can even Mexico show a more heartless and unpardonable piece of butchery? Has that ever been punished? If it has I have not been informed. That, too, was done under the guise and sanction of law. Shocking beyond words are the atrocities which you so feelingly portray. But who is responsible? Who was responsible for the Colorado massacre? If I mistake not the same sinister influences are responsible for both. Visit Mexico's sins with condign punishment, but let the nation that is without sin cast the first stone.

Who are largely responsible for this loud call for the punishment of these Mexican atrocities? Largely they are the very influences which are responsible for those intolerable conditions in Mexico of which the atrocities are the legitimate fruit.

Helping Mexico by making friends with her is surely "a more excellent way" than by making war with her. Give Wilson credit for seeking this more excellent way. Have patience, not with lawlessness, but with those who are trying to find the only real and permanent cure for it.

After you have read "Making Friends With Mexico," try the first article in December Pearson's, "Democracy No Failure Even in War," and see if you do not feel a bit more optimistic.

T. W. DE LONG.

Brother DeLong presents his view of the case in the way we would like to look at it, but it is not possible for everyone to take the same facts and draw the same conclusions. It is possible that it is better thus, for both sides probably swerve a little from the proper course and a uniting of the two forces may result in the striking of a happy medium.

While we do not wish to take any undue advantage of the editorial prerogative of having the last word, we wish to take exception to the inference that we may reply that "some of the Mexicans deserve killing." It is not for The Sentinel to say whether or not they do. We leave that to a higher power; but we are certain of one thing, and that is that some killing is going to be done in Mexico before peace is restored; and if intervention by the United States is the only remedy, the sooner that intervention comes the less killing there will be. Recent events seem to indicate that the de facto forces are utterly unable to cope with the bandit forces.

The Sentinel wishes peace could be brought about by making friends with

the Mexicans, but, unfortunate as it may be, we feel certain that peace will never be brought about in that manner, much as the great majority of Mexicans would welcome our friendship. The sad thing is that the trouble in Mexico is caused by bandits who prey upon the peace-loving citizens who would make friends with us, and not even the Savior himself could make friends with a villain like Villa. Only the use of force can subdue the bandit murderers, to whom no crime is too repulsive. They would strike the hand extended to them in friendship.

The Sentinel does not believe this is a case of the one without sin casting the first stone. Some of the most christian-like deeds we have ever seen performed have been done by those whose probability of entering the pearly gates is a matter of grave doubt. If the United States goes into Mexico, it must be not for purposes of revenge, not because we are without sin, not because the Mexicans are greater sinners than we are, but because the call of humanity, the call of Americanism, makes it necessary for us to do so.

Does Brother DeLong repudiate our Spanish-American war? Conditions in Mexico are much the same as those that forced us into Cuba.

We agree with our friend DeLong that continual harping upon a subject has a tendency to cause that thing to happen, and Brother DeLong's letter gives us the opportunity to turn the tables on him. Wilson won because he and his cohorts made a large number of people believe that to elect Hughes meant war; and, according to the reasoning of our good brother, if Hughes had been elected, the democratic party by having convinced those people that war was to follow a republican victory, would have actually brought about a war because of having done what Brother DeLong now criticizes us for doing.

## Is This Republicanism?

Cottage Grove, Ore., Dec. 2.—(To the Editor.)—After reading the article in your paper entitled, "Republicans Are Fed and Democrats Are Not," I wish to ask through your paper if this is really true republican principles of today, and for the woman to publish her name.

## ANOTHER REPUBLICAN WOMAN.

The story referred to was a news item written by The Sentinel. The story was published without the consent of the woman concerned and her name was, therefore, withheld. If the woman concerned has no objection, we will gladly publish her name. It is probably immaterial whether or not to refuse to feed democrats is true republicanism. It is not likely that any deserving will be allowed to go unfed, but if a woman prefers to feed only republicans and to let democrats feed the democrats, we do not see that any particular harm results. The Sentinel published the story merely because of its interest as news.

## Up to Wheeler.

Cottage Grove, Ore., Dec. 5.—The city election is over and Mr. Wheeler has been elected mayor by a substantial majority. It is now up to him to make good, so that when another annual election rolls around we won't be as anxious as to what to do for a candidate for the head of the ticket.

B. S. SWENDEL.

## THINGS WE THINK

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

There is nothing to the story that has been going the rounds to the effect that after January 1st those drawing checks for less than a dollar would be subject to a fine of \$500, but if it were true there are many who could draw one for the smaller amount with less risk than for the amount of the fine.

Naturally enough the infant industries want to milk the public.

A smile improves a man's appearance if it isn't one of the kind that is likely to slop over.

The undertaker is about the only business man who gives complete satisfaction to users of his goods.

When a man keeps telling about what he is going to do we feel inclined to start him on his way with a little assistance from the rear.

We wouldn't object to Rockefeller pouring oil upon the waters if he didn't turn around and palm the mixture off for gasoline.

An exchange says that the farmer moves the world. If that editor had said the farmer moves the earth he would have made a statement that could not have been contradicted.

It is funny how a man will hang patiently around a church door for an hour or two to take his girl home, and kick up a terrible hullabaloo a year or so later when his wife delays him for five minutes.

It takes a bunch of money to get a flying machine. Money always did have wings.

The Lord does not expect you to cast bread upon the waters unless you have sufficient to satisfy your hunger until its return.

If there's anything that breaks the heart of a boy it's to be ordered home to wipe dishes while he is playing a star game for the neighborhood team on some back lot.

## JUDGE COKE EXPRESSES THANKS

Appreciates Support Given Him at the Recent Election.

Judge John S. Coke, of Marshfield, has just returned from Eugene, where he has been holding court for Judge Skipworth. The large majority given him at the recent election is a handsome tribute to his efforts and his many friends are more than gratified over it. In speaking of it today, Judge Coke said:

"I wish to thank the people and the press of the Second Judicial district for the more than generous support and complimentary vote given me at the recent election. To have received such generous expression of confidence, not only in my home county, where I have spent most of my life and where the greater part of my difficult duties as circuit judge during the past seven and one-half years have been performed, but also in each and all of the six counties of this district, was a compliment beyond my expectations and it impresses me with a greater appreciation of my responsibilities to the people as their servant. The office of circuit judge is one that is overburdened with great responsibilities and difficult duties and, while conceding that, like all other human beings, I have doubtless made some mistakes, it has always been my earnest desire and effort to properly interpret and administer the laws as I understood them. I accept the very complimentary vote given me as an expression of approval of my past record and of confidence in my future conduct as a public officer. I shall not knowingly or purposely violate this confidence. I cannot hope to avoid making mistakes, but my errors shall never be deliberate ones."—Coos Bay Times.

JAMES C. PARKER, Sheriff of Lane County, Oregon, nov9-de7 By D. A. Elkins, Deputy.

## SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court for Lane County, Oregon.

G. W. Wambold, plaintiff, vs. Clara Wambold, defendant.

To Clara Wambold, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the plaintiff's complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause, within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and the date of the first publication of this summons is fixed by the order of the Judge herein named as the 2nd day of November, 1916; and if you fail to appear and answer as herein required, for want thereof plaintiff will apply to said court for the relief demanded and prayed for in said complaint, which is a decree from said court declaring that marriage contract now existing between plaintiff and defendant be forever dissolved and for such other and further relief as to the court may seem proper in equity.

This summons is published once a week for six consecutive and successive weeks in The Cottage Grove Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published in Cottage Grove, Lane county, Oregon, by order of the Honorable G. F. Skipworth, Circuit Judge of said Lane county, Oregon, and of date of October 28th, 1916, and the first publication of this summons is on the 2nd day of November, 1916, and the last publication is on the 14th day of December, 1916.

WALTER B. JONES, n2414e Attorney for Plaintiff.

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