

# The Herald

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## HOME RULE SHOULD GO.

The state legislature is making an effort to submit the Home Rule law to the people at the next general election, the measure having already received the sanction of the senate. If the legislature fails to do so then the initiative will be invoked, according to report.

Anything so unfair and undemocratic as the Home Rule law should never have been enacted and we are of the opinion that the general public did not understand the measure or it never would have received a majority vote.

That a city, or corporation, inside a county, or larger corporation, or a county inside a state, should be given power to vote conditions in such city, or corporation, that will entail expense upon the larger corporation is so thoroughly out of line with a republican form of government that it is unjust, and ought to be unconstitutional.

This measure was fathered by the liquor interests, and there are some things that are so utterly selfish that the interests and rights of other people are shoved out of sight, crowded to the wall, or trodden under foot.

It was conceived in lust and greed and is the legitimate child of selfishness, hence, there could be no conception of, nor justice coupled with it.

But it is said: "Truth crushed to earth shall rise again," and "Right must prevail over error." We believe not only this, but that man shall yet fill out the measure of his creation and that all injustice and inequality of privilege shall pass away. If Home Rule comes before the people again, they will certainly entomb it sufficiently deep to debar it from resurrection.

### Sleeping Over Volcanoes.

The Oregon Register has the following to say in speaking of the views of Ex-consul H. B. Miller:

"He sees in our present national life the germs of the same malady that fastened itself upon China, and in the course of centuries dragged that nation down from a position of prominence and advancement and left it hopelessly mired and beaten. He sees private greed taking the place of patriotism. He sees the hand of special interest closing upon us. He sees a tendency to wink at graft when it is successful and brings wealth and power to the grafter. He sees political leaders who no longer ask themselves 'What is best for my country?' but whose first thought is 'How can I best look out for my own interests?'"

"Mr. Miller's position gives weight to what he has to say. He has been away from the United States for many years,

and this clears his vision. He is detached from the quarrels and the prejudice and the personal feeling that obscure the view of those who are here and who are taking part in the national life, and yet he speaks with sympathy—for he is a citizen of the United States."

"His remarks are tipped with fire, but there is no denying their truth. It is too easy to confirm them. Patriotism is declining, and special interest and self seeking are rising too rapidly."

"Politics is too rapidly becoming a separate and distinct business. The man who is elected to office too soon becomes a politician and nothing else. Thereafter he is chiefly concerned with the best method of keeping himself at the top of the heap. He has begun to pay chief attention to his own political fortunes, and to permit the larger interests of his country to drop into the background."

Mr. Miller holds out the hope that woman suffrage will be the power that will give reactionary force sufficient for the betterment of the conditions depicted above. Whether or not such may prove true remains for future development to determine.

There is no doubt but that private greed has displaced patriotism, and this is not only true on the part of the person who has fed upon and cultivated greed until he has lost his love of country, but it is also true of his victims, those who, because of the strenuous life forced upon them through the immense tolls which greed has and is collecting, have also lost out in love for their country because their country offers them only a life of toil and privation, and where the heart strings are stretched to the parting point, merely to eke out an existence, there is nothing left worth fighting for, and men lose heart and will not fight for that which does not contribute to their requirements.

Rome was an easy prey when greed had crushed hope out of the hearts of the common people.

There is no use to deny that these conditions are obtaining in our own land, and that most other countries are affected also, but even if we do have the foresight, and are awake to the tendency which conditions and time are bringing. How small is the concern we feel and the care we exercise.

We are drifting; the world is drifting; all are drifting along the River of Time so unconcerned in our morbid condition that we won't wake up, and perchance if we do take on energy, we lay hold on the minor trouble and try to eliminate the evil by an effort to remove the result instead of the cause.

### An Act That Should Pass.

Backed by an organization of women who are striving to do whatever they can in a practical way for the betterment of social conditions, a bill is before the Legislature which would require the state to see to it that the father of an illegitimate child shall be compelled to contribute to its support until it reaches a specified age. Chivalry, morality,

## Aviator Lands on Housetop After Flight Over London

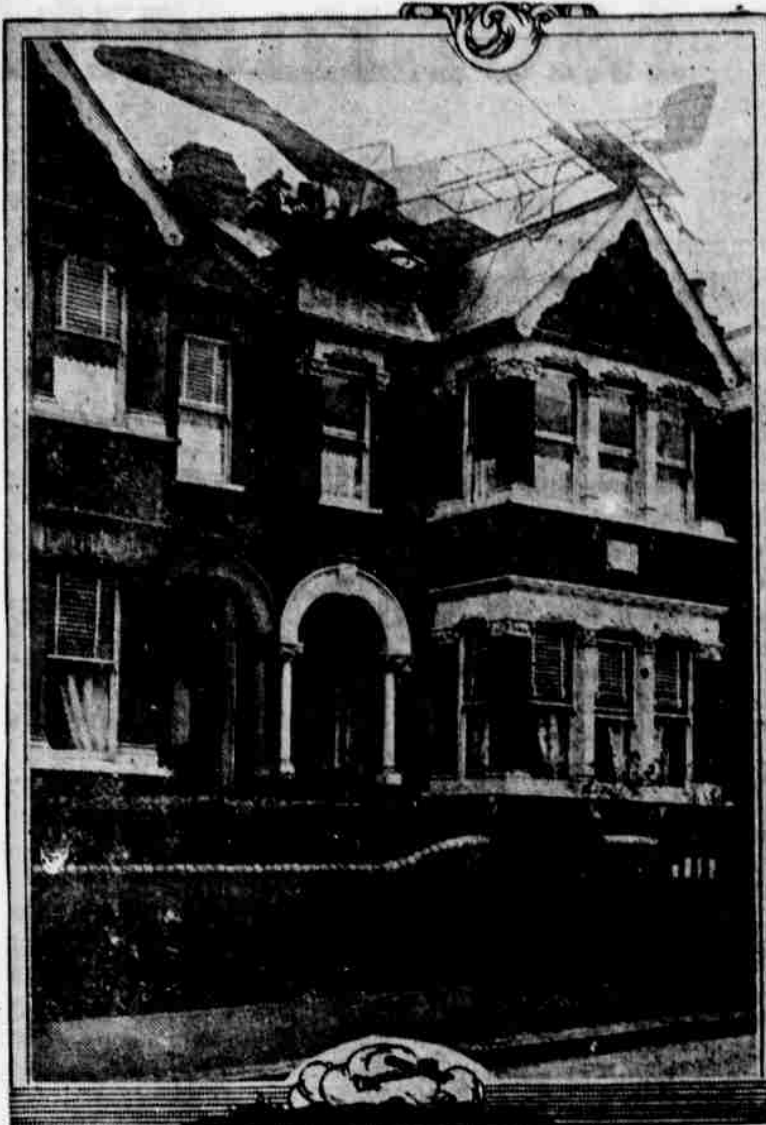


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It is said of J. B. Manio, an Italian aviator, who landed accidentally in the night on top of a handsome residence at Palmer's Green, near London, that rescuers found him nonchalantly smoking a cigarette when they raised ladders to take him from his perilous position. He met with the accident after flying across the English channel from Boulogne. He flew over London safely, but darkness overtook him, and down he came, crashing upon the slate roof of the private house. The occupants thought an earthquake had struck the village. Their fear turned to wonder when they saw their visitor was an air man.

the social welfare and, above and including all, justice, demand that this bill should be enacted into law. Such a law would be at one and the same time punitive, restitutive in a measure, a restraint upon immorality, of economic value to the body politic, and (of greater moment than those) it would result in partial justice to the unfortunate mother and the more unfortunate child.—Telegram.

## NEWS FROM COUNTY SEAT

### Court House Notes.

Judge Galloway disposed of the following cases on Saturday in circuit court in the manner named:

John G Brown et al vs. Maud Butler; complaint dismissed.

Wm. Faul vs. Herbert A Wilson; case dismissed.

J A Laurenson vs. Nettie B Rogers; settled and dismissed.

Thos. Rand vs. John Rand; settled and dismissed.

J M Stone vs. George H Stone; settled and dismissed.

Nellie Lewis vs. Ed. K Lewis; default entered and decree as prayed for.

Dora A Chase vs. Lenn E Davis et al; default entered and decree.

Bertha Eakin vs. Newton Winkleman; default and decree.

Melissa J Grant vs. J T Stone et al; default entered and decree.

Tusie A Vorphal vs. Lida W Varpohl, divorce; dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

Cora Comstock vs. Fred Comstock, divorce; default entered.

L E Crowe vs. Della L Thomas; default and decree.

Agatha Quering vs. Henry Quering, divorce; default entered and decree.

David Giger vs. John Hostetler et al; H H Belt appointed to examine title.

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