



### Monmouth Meditations

March did its best to go out like a lion.

It is a good thing this snow flurry did not come two months earlier.

The way the Germans are cleaning up after the late revolution sug-

gests that the next one will be entered into with considerably more caution.

Possibly by the time this paper is issued the Anthony amendment for woman's suffrage may have carried with Mississippi or Delaware the last state to make the necessary ratification. The world moves fast these days.

We confess to a feeling of profound indifference as to whether Opal Whitely is Opal Whitely or somebody else, but acknowledge

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that the conundrum is giving Miss Whitely a considerable quantity of personal advertising.

Mr. Hoover seems finally to have recollected the name of the street and the number of the house in which he resides.

Eggs at present are but little above thirty cents in price which in comparison with other products is cheap; but the fact does not deter chicken men and young chicks abound in every direction.

Organized labor feels sure that if it can get the farmer to join its ranks it can rule the roost, but it does not take into consideration that the farmer is an employer of labor as well as the capitalist and has certain defined sympathies with the problems of the latter class.

The curious thing about Senator Newberry's conviction is that he thought he should be absolved because he had corruptly influenced no one. The fact that he spent more money in a legitimate way than the law sanctions he did not seem to think much of a crime. The common trouble with us is that we assume the right to consider whether laws are right or not and if we do not approve of them we disobey them. The conviction of Newberry must have a salutary effect on this habit. Whatever is law should command respect and be obeyed.

An English historian says of Henry VIII: "He made Parliament his docile tool. He chose many of the members himself, drew up the laws they were to pass; and sometimes sat in the house with his terrible eye on any who might venture to oppose him." Henry must have served as a model to our later day presidents and some of them have not fallen far short of his total accomplishments in the art of personal direction.

We do not often fall for the contributions of the publicity men but in printing the extracts from the biography of Herbert Hoover on another page we do so for a double reason. First, because the life itself has been of the active, moving sort that lends itself readily to interesting description and second, because Hoover was at one time an Oregon man, living in the very section in which we are now located and a feeling of public spirit and pride in our state must lead us to give his cause a friendly hearing.

Twenty Monmouth people helped to re-organize the Encampment of Odd Fellows in Independence last week. Almost as many Monmouth people belong to the Masonic institutions of Independence, lodge chapter and Eastern Star; the Independence bakery and laundry supply the needs of Monmouth citizens; Monmouth young men are numerous in the company of National Guard with headquarters in Independence; The G. A. R. and various other organizations of Independence count on Monmouth to make a showing. Independence merchants and dealers make strong bids for the trade of our citizens. If on the face of these facts, Independence votes against the millage bill or in any way attempts to block the highway plans of the state commission it will be showing a shortsightedness that must, in the nature of things, react strongly against it in the future.

Joke making as a part of government activity may strike the reader as an oddity but we are in receipt this week of a communication from a branch of the Treasury de-

partment saying it has retained the services of a skilled and talented joke maker and is ready and willing to furnish the jokes he produces to newspapers who will use them if being guaranteed that no two similar sets of jokes shall go to any two newspapers in the same territory. Of course, it is not exactly a philanthropic venture, some War Savings stamps advertising being switched in occasionally. Even though the cause is good we are however, disposed to manufacture our own jokes and so pass up the kindly offices of the Treasury Department.

In a recent article David Peascoe takes occasion to deride the so-called new thought in the staging of the drama, in which it is held that the art of stage setting is that the spectator may see the object aimed at through suggestion. Thus a sprig of box hedge suggests the hedge itself and a draped curtain may suggest an unlimited multitude of things. Says the great playwright: "Some things, questionless, are beyond popular comprehension, and some of these things are plays. And no doubt, that which is incomprehensible in general soon wearies. But in the theater it is not an infallible sign of excellence; it is, on the contrary, a reliable sign of inferiority—when the general public condemns. I do not mean that I believe the voice of the people is the voice of God. But I do mean that I believe in the people, the oft-condemned million, with all my heart and soul. I have learned that its instinctive apprehension of good, in art as in life, is usually instant and lasting and therefore I trust the people and believe in it." He might have added that the same instinct to get away from the accepted and the conventional is also in evidence in the realms of art and literature. Thus we have the painful results of the "cubist" fad, exaggerated theories of high lights and shadows, illustrations which the ordinary reader passes up with indifference or wearily strives for some tangible evidence to indicate what the artist has intended to reproduce. Or in literature we have affectations for forms of poetry of insane or asinine construction, hailed as marvels by the high priests of faddism; or prose enigmas of extraordinary dullness cleft and carved into analytical fragments by enthusiasts who profess to find therein nuggets of wisdom that the writer never dreamed were hidden there.

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HENRY S. PORTWOOD,  
MARY MABEL STAATS,  
Administrator and administratrix  
of the estate of Joseph Ansel Haines,  
deceased.  
OSCAR HAYTER, Attorney.

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| CAPITAL   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Amount of capital stock paid up (Deposit Capital)                 | \$ 400,000.00  |
| INCOME  |                |
| Net premiums received during the year                             | \$5,323,137.74 |
| Interest, dividends and rents received during the year            | 281,421.34     |
| Income from other sources received during the year                | 238,531.85     |
| Total income  | \$5,843,141.56 |
| DISBURSEMENTS   |                |
| Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses     | \$2,166,420.09 |
| Dividends paid on capital stock during the year                   | 1,334,948.31   |
| Commissions and salaries paid during the year                     | 125,990.06     |
| Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year                     | 232,454.56     |
| Amount of all other expenditures                                  | 991,211.47     |
| Total expenditures  | \$4,715,405.15 |
| ASSETS  |                |
| Value of real estate owned (market value)                         | \$             |
| Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)                    | 5,887,382.25   |
| Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.                           | 125,990.06     |
| Cash in banks and on hand   | 914,877.22     |
| Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1919 | 1,260,713.98   |
| Interest and rents due and accrued                                | 75,755.44      |
| Total assets  | \$8,073,728.04 |
| Less Special deposits in any state (if any there be)              | \$1,160.00     |
| Total assets admitted in Oregon                                   | \$7,922,568.04 |
| LIABILITIES   |                |
| Gross claims for losses unpaid                                    | \$ 612,844.34  |
| Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks              | 4,570,460.22   |
| Due for commission and brokerage                                  | 19,639.67      |
| All other liabilities   | 301,043.92     |
| Total liabilities, exclusive of statutory deposit of \$400,000    | \$5,504,387.26 |
| BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR                                   |                |
| Net premiums received during the year                             | \$ 112,756.46  |
| Losses paid during the year                                       | \$2,109.66     |
| Losses incurred during the year                                   | \$0,921.27     |

THE NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED  
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