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Governor Chamberlain is gaining no applause in the way he is meeting McMahan's charges against misappropriation of penitentiary funds and the abuse of privileges generally by officers of that institution. Much if not all the charges by McMahan are true. Instead of meeting them with open confession and proceeding to inaugurate reform along the lines indicated, the Governor seeks to lessen criticism and divert attention by attempting to draw in other state institutions. The Executive goes out of his way to send a special message to the legislature on the subject, asking that body that the other institutions be made to share the censure aimed at the penitentiary management. The act savors of a lack of courage. The Governor's message betrays that he is not willing that the management of the State Penitentiary be permitted to stand alone on its own merits under the limelight of investigation by the legislature. He asks the legislature, if the prison management is to be investigated, that other state institutions be included. The fact is, while the Governor alone is responsible for the management of the penitentiary, he is chairman of a board of three that controls the other state institutions. Though he could not escape responsibility for criticism that might arise from investigation of any of the institutions, for any other than the penitentiary, it would be shared by two others. McMahan's charges point out reforms that are needed and Governor Chamberlain has erred in the way he has met them.

It is impossible permanently to keep material prosperity unless there is back of it a basis of right living and right thinking.

Neither this nor any other free people will permanently tolerate the use of the vast power conferred by vast wealth, especially in its corporate form, without lodging somewhere in the Government the still higher power of seeing that this power, in addition to being used in the interest of the individuals possessing it, is also used for and not against the interests of the people as a whole.

All great business concerns are engaged in interstate commerce, and it was the intention of the founders of our Government that interstate commerce in all its branches and aspects should be under National and not state control. If the courts decide that this intention was not carried out in the Constitution, then the Constitution, if not construed differently, will have to be amended.

The greatest need is for an increase in the power of the National Government to keep the great highways of commerce open alike to all on reasonable and equitable terms.

There must be lodged in some tribunal the power over rates,

and especially over rebates, secured in any manner, which will protect alike the railroad and the shipper, and put the big shipper and the little shipper on an equal footing.

We are striving to see that the man of small means has exactly as good a chance, so far as we can obtain it for him, as the man of larger means; that there shall be equality of opportunity for the one as for the other.

Ours is not a Government which recognizes classes. It is based on the recognition of the individual. — Theodore Roosevelt.

Independence once had a good race course and now is a good time to revive it. There are a number of good horses in the community and if a race track is maintained, others will be brought in. A race course is a developer of horses and horsemanship and now is the time for every lover of the horse, which is every man and woman in the locality to come forward and help to open up the race course. To put the track in proper condition it should be plowed this month. This will not require much, but some one must take the initiative if it's done. Let some one start a subscription for this purpose and lay the foundation for a good track for next summer. With a race course near by, it will not be necessary to hold races in the streets next Fourth of July.

The most convincing and unanswerable argument in favor of a reform in the manner in which the state is expending money in the support of so-called Normal schools is furnished in the salaries paid teachers. An annual salary of \$400 or \$500 is niggardly. It's starvation wages and a most degrading example to be set by the State of Oregon. Teachers in country schools command better wages and the probabilities are can teach the teachers who serve the state for \$400 and board themselves.

After all the honor that has been Senator Mitchell's at the hands of Oregon legislatures, in his old days he is paying a terrible price. Two years ago the members considered adjourning over for a few months in anticipation of his death. Now they are proposing to adjourn until next fall under the pretended belief that the United States Senator so long honored by Oregon, will by that time be convicted of a crime and lose his seat.

What you may miss in one bargain sale announcement such as appears in every issue of the West Side Enterprise may be enough to pay for the paper the whole year.

Independence merchants are preparing to meet the demands for goods this year. You will see their announcements in this paper.

With graveled roads, rural telephone lines and rural mail delivery, life in Polk county will beat living in the city.

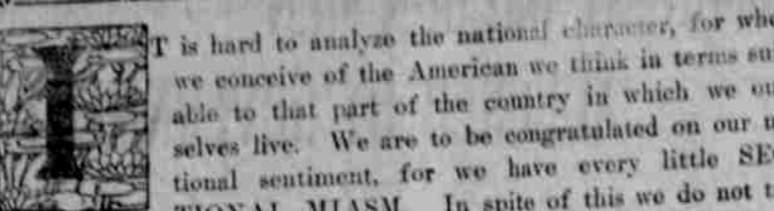
No one cares to challenge the claim of Independence to the best winter streets of any town in the valley.

The devil is always the companion of the fellow out of a job. Shun the man with two faces under one hat.

Genius and fortune are seldom on good terms.

**A BIG QUESTION MARK STARES US IN THE FACE**

By President WOODROW WILSON of Princeton University



It is hard to analyze the national character, for when we conceive of the American we think in terms suitable to that part of the country in which we ourselves live. We are to be congratulated on our national sentiment, for we have every little SECTIONAL MIASM. In spite of this we do not try to be conventional, and that is what makes us what we are. Nobody but Americans can understand what American character is, and yet, can we really understand it ourselves? My judgment of foreigners is unfavorable to us, for they think that we have no reserve and that in our eagerness and rush to gain new things we do not consider how the world depends upon THE FORMS AND CUSTOMS OF FORMER AGES.

It took us one century to settle and colonize this country, the next century was spent in getting rid of the Dutch and French, the third in establishing the nation and settling the difficulties between the north and south, and we now have things on a national basis which does not seem at present to be threatened by any catastrophe. It is true that we have anarchy and socialism to deal with, but this is no evil peculiar to us, for ALL NATIONS HAVE TO DEAL WITH THEM. We are still in the flush of manhood, and we have a future ahead of us.

We have entered the fourth century of our existence with A BIG QUESTION MARK staring us in the face. The country is settled from coast to coast. There is no frontier, and now the question is, "What are we going to do among this family of nations?" All the past centuries have been of the beginning, and the finishing period has now arrived. Art, literature and architecture, the signs of the maturity, have not had much attention paid to them until now. We pride ourselves on our political liberty, but if what we call political liberty is found in the cities it is a peculiar liberty.

THE STATE GOVERNMENTS WOULD ALSO BEAR LOOKING INTO, BUT IT WOULD BE TOO LARGE A THEME TO DEAL WITH THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

**FATHERS NEGLECT THEIR SONS**

By Judge RICHARD S. TUTHILL of the Juvenile Court, Chicago

THE trouble with a great majority of the boys brought before me is that they have never had the care of a father. The mothers in many cases are apt to be weak, vacillating, overlenient and sympathetic. While making money the father neglects his boy. He leaves property behind him, but not character.

MEN OF HIGH STANDING IN THE COMMUNITY AND OF GREAT WEALTH IGNORE THEIR BOYS EXCEPT TO LEAVE THEM FORTUNES, WHICH, WITHOUT CHARACTER, WILL CORRUPT.

They do not see much of their sons—they leave the early training to the mothers and then see that they are placed in the hands of tutors and later sent away to college. There they think their duty toward the son is ended. Fashionable mothers also are to blame for leaving their children to the care of nurses and teachers.

That the father and mother should have greater influence over the son than any one else is nature's law. THE BOY BELIEVES WHAT THE FATHER SAYS IS JUST RIGHT. Every youngster as he passes through the different experiences of life looks back to his father and wonders what he would have done under similar conditions.

If you want to have good boys be good fathers and set them an example to follow which will mean their upliftment and proper development. If the father is absorbed in amusement the son cannot be expected to regard things seriously. If the father is intemperate you cannot expect the son to find a good example in him unless it be of the "horrible example" sort.

Nothing I have said is speculation. It is as true as the fact that 2 plus 2 makes 4—it is as invariable as the multiplication table.

WHENEVER THE FATHER FINDS HIS BOY IS BECOMING A LOAFER OR INCORRIGIBLE HE WOULD BETTER ASK HIMSELF THE QUESTION, "HAVE I DONE MY DUTY?"

**The Brains of the Coming Americans.**  
Columbia university's brain expert, Dr. E. A. Sptzka, is out with the proposition that the future Americans will have bigger and better brains because of the mixture of races going on here. The old dominant types of Puritan, cavalier and Scotch-Irish will lose their individuality, becoming merged with new foreign blood into a new composite type, preserving and restoring the best strains of the civilized world.

Composite races have dominated the world. Romans were all conquering until they got to be too proud of their name to marry outside of the pale. The Gaul, the Frank and the Norman combined to make the French stock, and the Norman invasion lifted England up from the trenches and the ale butt. Spain and Russia have preserved their race units and are lagging in progress. Canada has two strong races, kept apart by religion and clannishness—the French and English.

In the coming American type will be fused the blood of Germany and France, of Ireland and Scotland, of England and Italy, and our own parent strain will give to the new being its moral conscience and its love of liberty.

**DR. NEHRBAS**

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WANTED—A few stands of bees. A. J. Whiteaker, Independence. FOR SALE—Fresh milk cows. Enquire of C. E. Tedrow, three miles south of Monmouth.

FOR SALE—Hop yard implements; Reversible Improved disc, sacks and baskets. Call on Sam Irvine.

WANTED—Half a dozen good men to work at the Krebs hop ranch. Enquire of Krebs Bros.

FOR SALE—Good dry red fir, delivered at your door at \$3.50 a cord. Call on John Burton.

FOR SALE—W. T. Haley, Independence, has a few nice young full blood Blue Andalusian roosters, price \$1.00 each.

WANTED—Young horse, to weigh about 1250 pounds, gentle, not over seven years old. W. W. Black, Independence, Oregon.

STRAY HOG—A plack barrow, weight about 125 lbs., no marks. Owner call at L. E. Stapleton's farm.

FOR SALE—Clover and cheat hay. Address or call on W. S. Campbell, Monmouth.

Mrs. L. G. Chipman, representing the Viavi system of treatment, is in the city and has rooms with Mrs. W. G. Cressy. Mrs. Chipman will be pleased to meet all the ladies who are interested in this system.

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Leaves Independence for Monmouth and Dallas 11:00 a. m. 6:15 p. m.	Leaves Dallas for Monmouth and Independence 1:00 p. m. 7:30 "
Leaves Monmouth for Airlie 7:50 a. m. 8:30 p. m.	Leaves Monmouth for Independence 8:40 a. m. 1:30 p. m. 2:40 " 8:00 "
Leaves Monmouth for Dallas 11:2 a. m. 6:30 p. m.	Leaves Independence for Dallas 2:50 p. m.

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Sounding the glories of progress with a big base drum is all very well, providing the racket does not stifle the voices of the three, four, five and six year old boys and girls who toil in factories from ten to fifteen hours out of twenty-four. The tots might have a word to say on the amount of progress coming their way.