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The Making of a State

The making of a new state is not such a simple thing as it might appear to be at first glance. There is a whole lot more to it than the mere passing of an act admitting the territory to congress. The Youth's Companion calls attention to the fact that Oklahoma will not be admitted to the Union until next Independence day.

The formal work of making a state takes time and care. First, Indian Territory and Oklahoma must be divided each into fifty-five districts, from each of which a delegate will go to the constitutional convention. The election of delegates will be by proclamation of the governor of Oklahoma and the senior United States judge of Indian Territory, and the proclamation must be made within six months of the day on which the president signed the enabling act. At the convention the delegates must declare for their constituents that they adopt the constitution of the United States and formulate a state constitution. The state constitution must contain guarantees of religious freedom and prohibit polygamy. The proposed constitution is then to be submitted to the people of the territories for ratification and at the same time they will vote for state officers. The results will be submitted to the president, and if the provisions of the enabling act were complied with he must within twenty days proclaim the result of the election, and the state of Oklahoma "shall be deemed admitted by congress into the union with the original states."

Paved streets, street cars and cement walks would make a real city of Eugene. They would double our population in three years and increase property valuations four-fold. But these things, desirable as they are, cost money and must not be gone into in a half-hearted way. One hundred thousand dollars spent on Eugene's streets would bring surer returns in the way of dividends to the property owners who paid for it than would a similar amount of money invested in Union Pacific stocks.

The new postoffice will be built in the due course of time no doubt. An inspector is on his way to Eugene to look up the various sites and report upon the same to the government. After that formality and a lot of other red tape proceedings have been complied with the selection will be announced and bids will be asked for. As to hurrying the government that is out of the question.

That will be a lively contest for governor in New York, but the Guard will bet it can pick the winner. His name begins with H and it requires six letters to spell it—can you guess?

What's the use of sending forty thousand soldiers to Cuba? General Frederick Funston should be able to clean out that handful of malcontents alone and single-handed.

Taft failed to sit down on the Cuban rebellion. If he had done so it would have flattened out like a pancake.

Man higher than the brute? He has more intelligence, but in at least one instance on occasion sinks immeasurably below it. Mrs. Bridget Tracey, of Burlington, New Jersey, has just been convicted of murdering her new-born babe.

Tomorrow's Daily Guard will consist of eight large pages, the same as today's issue. Our new folder arrived here last evening and will be set up some time next week, and this will give additional facilities for getting out a better paper every day.

The year of 1903 will go down in history as one of great catastrophes.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

TO MAKE US GLAD.

If apples grew on lightning rods
 And pies came down like rain,
 If fish would only chase us home
 Or meet us at the train,
 If every day were Christmas eve
 And street car riding free,
 And every one was good to us,
 How happy we would be!

If lightning called to bake the bread
 And thunder played a tune,
 And babies never cried at night
 For candy or the moon,
 If money only were a fruit
 That grew upon a tree,
 And it were ripe the whole year round,
 How happy we would be!

If offices were close at hand
 To hear our faintest call,
 With salaries attached to them
 That didn't look too small;
 If we could sit around and smoke
 And still draw double fee,
 Without a blessed thing to do,
 How happy we would be!

If monkeys did the kitchen work
 And bees would only come to hand,
 And dump their honey at the door,
 I think it would help some.
 If every dollar bill we had
 Would straightaway grow to three
 And we could always keep the change,
 How happy we would be!

Opportunity.

Several gentlemen with two very large feet have lately jumped on John J. Ingalls' poem "Opportunity," which has heretofore been regarded in some circles as being fully as true and binding as the Declaration of Independence or the imperative orders of a young wife on an old husband.

The burden of this poem is that a large, husky gentleman named Mr. Opportunity, with fame in one hand and a bag of gold in the other, comes thumping on the door of every man's house once in a lifetime, and if the householder is asleep or not there to extend the glad and itching hand it is all off with him forever.

This on close examination is found to be a mistake. There are opportunities lying all about our path if we could just distinguish them from double back action jokes, but how is the dub to know when one of them knocks that it isn't his creditors trying to break into his house under false pretenses?

It Keeps Coming.
 You wait for something to turn up
 And something always will,
 You may be sure,
 though it is but
 An old and unpaid
 bill.

The Gleaming of His Pate.
 "That bald headed man is following the Scriptures, isn't he?"
 "As how?"
 "Why, isn't he letting his light shine?"

Cruel.
 "You are always finding fault with me."
 "Beg pardon, I don't have to find it. You actually fling your faults at my head."

Proves It.
 "Do you believe in luck?"
 "No."
 "Then you are lucky."

Explained.
 "Papa, what is a bookmaker?"
 "One who unmakes pocketbooks, daughter."

Obviously.
 "Don't smash the furniture just because you are mad."
 "Well, aren't we breaking up house-keeping?"

When you want to borrow money try a stranger. You are more apt to be successful.

Some people think thoughts, but most turn out near thoughts.

Just Practicing.
 Cunning little Mabel,
 Cute as she can be,
 Likes to wear her brand new dress
 And her Sunday hat, I guess,
 Out where all can see.
 Not a trait that's pretty,
 But you must allow
 To excuse the youngster—
 Grown folks showed her how.

Not a bit flirtatious.
 Is the little dear,
 But she would not lose her breath
 Or be scared almost to death
 Should a man appear.
 She would smile serenely
 And would make a bow.
 Still, you could not blame her—
 Grown folks showed her how.

When she's grown up really,
 In a year or two,
 Practice she has had with men
 Will come handy to her then
 And will see her through.
 When the men come flocking
 She will expect,
 Twist them round her dainty thumb,
 And they won't object.

Politics and the Judiciary



By JUDSON HARMON,
 Ex-Attorney General
 of the United States

It has been charged that the choice of judges by popular vote TENDS to impair their independence, but I do not think so. The electors have neither means, opportunity NOR DESIRE to interfere with the election of the judges they select. They can only refuse to re-elect when displeased, and, barring some rare instances, such refusals have usually been just when not due to mere POLITICAL CAUSES. When the electors, however, act through political organizations in choosing judges there is some peril, especially when those organizations are allowed to fall under the control of a few men or a single man, whose purposes generally are or soon become SELFISH OR CORRUPT. These men really choose the judges as well as other public officials and naturally come to regard them all alike as subject to orders.

I trust that the era of "bosses" has passed away. But, even so, I hope the time will come when judges will be elected without the intervention of party, because cases must frequently come before them from which it is impossible to eliminate political considerations, and the effect of these, while it may not be entirely escaped, must certainly be less when the judges are not nominated AS PARTY CANDIDATES. Then, with terms long enough to enable the people to form a just opinion of the men who administer justice in their name, we shall have a judiciary as independent as it can be made. But it must always weaken confidence in our judiciary to have judges taking part in political assemblies or discussing public questions upon which the parties are or may soon be in conflict.

These are times when every one, especially lawyers, should look beyond the impulse of the moment, lest we pay, and pay needlessly, too high a price FOR THE GRATIFICATION OF PRESENT WISHES, just and praiseworthy though they be. On every hand men have made haste to be rich and have not been innocent. It is written that they shall not be innocent. Corporate officers have forgotten that they are trustees for the stockholders, and both have forgotten that corporations with public franchises are trustees for the people, or, if they have not forgotten, THEY HAVE NOT CARED. Fraud and graft have burrowed deep in private enterprises. Executive and legislative officers have been convicted and sentenced for infamous official crimes. The people are aroused by reason of numerous frauds and impositions practiced on them and by the insolent parade and MISUSE OF WEALTH by persons who utterly lack the character and training necessary to qualify them to be intrusted with the control of wealth.

Under such conditions the temptation to seek and sanction irregular justice is strong, and the immediate result is apt to hide the more remote and lasting consequences.

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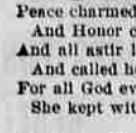
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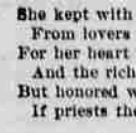
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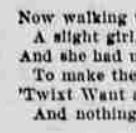
THE shadows lay along Broadway,
 'Twas near the twilight-tide,
 And slowly there a lady fair
 Was walking in her pride.
 Alone walked she; but, viewlessly,
 Walked spirits at her side.



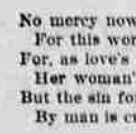
Peace charmed the street beneath her feet,
 And Honor charmed the air;
 And all astride looked kind on her,
 And called her good as fair,
 For all God ever gave to her
 She kept with chary care.



She kept with care her beauties rare
 From lovers warm and true,
 For her heart was cold to all but gold,
 And the rich came not to woo—
 But honored well are charms to sell
 If priests the selling do.



Now walking there was one more fair—
 A slight girl, lily-pale;
 And she had unseen company
 To make the spirit quail;
 'Twixt Want and Scorn she walked forlorn,
 And nothing could avail.



No mercy now can clear her brow
 For this world's peace to pray;
 For, as love's wild prayer dissolved in air,
 Her woman's heart gave way!—
 But the sin forgiven by Christ in Heaven
 By man is cursed away!



The man who lives near another's
 hen roost should always have some
 good explanation handy lest he should
 be obliged to call the doctor suddenly
 to pick birdshot out of his back.

Hard to Find Material.
 "I never knew him to do any hard
 work."
 "I have."
 "What?"
 "Bringing about his family."

The worst thing about dull people is
 they furnish no material for gossip.

Tombstones are the only landmarks
 that some people leave.

Enough has been said about some
 things before the subject is intro-
 duced.

Truth telling pays, and for the matter
 of that lying has been known to
 turn the same trick.

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