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STOP PETITION PEDDLING

The business of petition forging
has again bobbed into the lime-
light, this time in connection with
the income tax measure sponsored
by the state grange. Opponents of
this measure are seeking to pre-
vent its appearance on the ballot,
and to that end are attacking the
validity of the signatures on the
petitions. Extensive evidence of
the same sort of fraudulent traffic
in names that was first uncovered
in the case of the university refer-
endum petitions a number of years
ago has been presented. In refer-
ence to this particular bit of
petition peddling, C. E. Spence,
state manager of the grange, as-
serted day before yesterday in open
court in Portland:

"I'm inclined to believe those cir-
culators are a bunch of crooks. If they
are not, the witnesses I have heard to-
day are the biggest liars I ever saw,
which I refuse to believe. What I wish
to make clear to the court, however, is
that the state grange had no part in
these disbursements.

These circulators were recommended
to me by people of Portland who told me
that they had handled such work before,
and let me say right here that I don't
believe they confined their crooked
methods to the income tax bill. Their
instructions from me were very specific.
I told them we wanted only the names of
legal voters and that truthful statements
concerning the nature of the bill only
should be made.

The initiative is all right, the
referendum is all right and even
the recall is justified under certain
convenient conditions, but the
business of petition shoving is a
menace in the nostrils of the public.
The petition peddler is a pest whom
all of us would gladly get rid of,
and every so often there comes to
light instances of rank forgery in-
dicating that the name chasers tire
of running the hardy citizen to
earth and capturing his reluctant
signature and so sit down in some
convenient back room and write
up the necessary signatures at so
much each. That is a method of
initiating legislation that smells to
heaven.

It has often been suggested that
a much better method would be to
leave petitions with some qualified
official, such as the county clerk
or justices of the peace, where
people might go voluntarily and
affix their signatures, but this
proposal has been actively opposed
by those who maintain that it
would result in crippling direct leg-
islation. That is an objection that
has less weight than it might have.
The worst feature of direct leg-
islation is that it results each year
in chattering the ballot with a lot
of measures that are sponsored by
chumps and that impose upon the
level-headed element of the elec-
torate the annual duty of voting
them into the discard. A method
that resulted in keeping off the
ballot all proposed laws save those
for which there is a genuine public
demand—a demand sufficient to
lead people to go and voluntarily
affix their names to a petition—
would be a real public beneficence.

A REAL ENEMY

The boll weevil is credited with
the destruction last year, in this
country, of 6,277,000 'potential
bales of cotton worth, at season-
able prices, over \$610,000,000.
If that much additional cotton
had been actually produced, prices
no doubt would have been lower.
Still, the growers would have made
vastly more money than they did.
Also—which is the main fact—the
country would have had the cot-
ton. As far as the public is con-
cerned, cotton is cotton, which is
to say wealth, serving the same
myriad human uses, no matter
what price it may happen to bring
per pound.

Was all this loss preventable?
Well, boll weevils, like potato bugs,
can be kept down, and their rav-
ages reduced with their numbers,
by well-known methods. It is rea-

sonable to suppose that this de-
structive insect could be stamped
out altogether by a supreme effort
—say such an effort as a nation
makes in a war against another
nation, or even such a war as one
industrial group in a nation makes
against another industrial group.

Some day, perhaps, men will
learn to fight their real enemies in-
stead of each other.

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE
Justice Clarke, explaining his
resignation from the supreme
court of the United States, at a time
when he is still vigorous and prob-
ably has many years ahead of him,
says he does it—
"To read many books which I
have not had time to read in my
busy life; to travel; and to serve
my neighbors and some public
causes in ways which I cannot
serve them while holding impor-
tant public office."

This "philosophy of my later
life," as he calls it, is surely rich
and attractive enough to recom-
mend it to thoughtful people as a
philosophy applicable at any
period beyond youth. How many,
with their heads full of plans and
intentions, go through their whole
lives without reading the books
they feel like reading, or visiting
the distant places they want to
visit, or serving their neighbors,
near and far, in ways they would
like!

A man or woman gets caught up
somewhere in the mere machin-
ery of existence and is swept
along by it until the end approaches
and the power to fulfill cherished
desires has waned. Most people,
if they only set about it in time,
could scatter personal enrichment
and altruistic service all through
their lives.

For those who have postponed
what they really wanted most to
do, happy are they if, like Justice
Clarke, they have the courage and
ability to cut loose from tramp-
eling circumstances and be really
themselves for a few years while
there is yet time.

Pedestrians who violate the law
by walking at night on the right
hand side of paved roads, instead
of the left side, as the law requires,
take their lives in their hands. It
is almost impossible for drivers
approaching each other with dim-
med lights to see the pedestrian
who may be between, and it is a
wonder that accidents are not more
numerous than they are.

Rudyard Kipling asserts that
America came into the war two
years late and came in then only
for money. Kipling, as everyone
knows, is a noted and prolific pro-
ducer of fiction.

Turkish troops occupying Smyr-
na have been warned against in-
dulging in excesses. But just what,
in Turkish eyes, would be regarded
as an excess?

A man was fined \$10 in Oregon
City the other day for driving with
only one hand on the wheel. At
that rate, courting is going to come
high.

The weather is playing right into
the hands of the fellow who can't
afford a new fall hat.

Earlier Days in Eugene

(From the Morning Register, Sep-
tember 13, 1903)
E. O. Temple, who resides seven
miles east of Eugene, says the re-
cent rains have been skipping his
neighborhood and as harvesting is
all done they are ready for a good
rain.

James Seavey was in from the
Seavey hop yard yesterday. He
said that out of 100 acres of hops
they had only picked 12 acres and
if the rain continued another week
they would be compelled to quit
picking altogether.

T. G. Hendricks is just complet-
ing a splendid basement under his
residence and will install a heating
plant.

Cal M. Young left on the early
train this morning for Portland to
be gone a few days on business.

Arrangements are being made
for the tenth annual district fair
to be held at Bangs' park, near
Eugene.

Dave Graham, of the university,
who is prominent in student af-
fairs, arrived from Portland yes-
terday to resume his studies.

Lee Campbell, of the Guard, and
Fred Herbold are home from a trip
to the Siu-law.

Dr. W. O. Prosser, who has been
fitting up offices at the J. V.
Kaufman store, will be ready for
business Monday.

SUNDAY IS CONSTITUTION DAY

Impressive Celebration to Be Held
at Junction City in Afternoon

EUGENE, Ore., Sept. 12.—(To
the Editor).—Constitution day,
which falls on Sunday, September
17, is to be fittingly celebrated this
year in Oregon, according to plans
of the Oregon society of the Sons
and Daughters of the American
Revolution. This state-wide cele-
bration is in conjunction with the
national observance fostered by
the national society of the Sons
of the American Revolution.

Newspapers and publishers of
churches will gladly publish an-
nouncements of these observances
when requested to do so. Arrange-
ments have already been complet-
ed for holding a monster celebra-
tion at Junction City at 3 p. m.
next Sunday. The church building
is to be appropriately decorated

Paid Jilted Fiance's Courtship Bills



Miss Sheila Terry, an actress, has paid a "courtship bill," presented
by Benny Rubin, whom she rejected, which covered candy, flowers,
etc. She says it is only fair that when a man has courted a girl and
taken her to suppers, theatres and done many little things for her, and
then the girl marries some one else, the girl should pay him back what
he spent—if he sends in a bill and wants the cash.

with flags and bunting and the
program calls for patriotic songs
and speeches.

A constitution is, in the United
States, a written document, adopted
by a people, and providing the
outline for a form of government.
The written constitution originated
in this country. It is a gift by Am-
erica to the world, which the world
is step by step accepting. With
us, the constitution is the source
of all power, or rather is the voice
of the people, who are the source
of all power, and the President,
the congress, the legislature, gov-
ernment and all other public officials
get their powers from it. Not so
in Europe. In Great Britain par-
liament is the source of all power;
Parliament made a large part of
England's constitution, and Parlia-
ment has the power to change any
part of it, though seldom doing so.
Little Switzerland's constitution
comes nearest to our idea of a
constitution as the voice of the
people, for only the people can
change it.

There is probably no document
of the kind in existence which re-
ceives greater respect, I may say
reverence, from the people whom
it affects than the United States
constitution. There is none that
the world has so honored; it has
been a model for constitutions ev-
erywhere throughout civilization.
An eminent Englishman (Bryce),
says, "Its ranks above every other
written constitution for the intrin-
sic excellence of its scheme, its
adaptation to the needs of the peo-
ple, the simplicity, brevity, and
precision of its language."

(Patrollic Instructor, G. A. R.
Department of Oregon.)

WHAT SHALL I DO?

By VIRGINIA PAGE

Love
Every day comes the letters that
Jrun like this: "I met a boy two
weeks ago at a dance, and we have
been going together ever since. He
loves me and I love him. Shall we
go out together three times a week
or four? Or this: 'I am deeply
in love with a girl in my class in
school. How can I win her love?'
Or, nearly like this: 'I see a boy
every day on the trolley car. He
looks at me as though he liked me.
I love him very much. . . . How
can I make him care for me?'
Yes, really, there are letters like
that—many of them. There is
letter after letter that uses the
sacred name of love as lightly as
these, if not in the exact words
that I have quoted. Then occa-
sionally comes a letter of a differ-
ent kind. One, I print below, but
only because the writer asks for
help on her problem without send-
ing me a personal letter. I should
prefer answering her privately.

"Dear Miss Page: I have read
your column every day, and I
could not find an answer to my
problem in it.
"When the U. S. entered the war
I was engaged to marry, but we
decided to wait until he came back.
My fiance came back, and he
told me to forget about him. He
did not want to ruin my life as
his was ruined. I loved him
deeply, and still do. I still wear
his ring and I think it gives him
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"There is another man who loves
me and I think a whole lot of
him. I would marry him if it
wasn't for my sweetheart. I could
never make this man happy. My
thoughts are always far away.
Would it be fair to this man to
marry him and make him miser-
able, too? He told me that if I
would marry him, he would take
me away from here and make
me forget. But I know that deep
down in my heart I couldn't for-
get. What shall I do?—Heart-
broken."

Wait. Feeling as you do at
present it seems indeed as though
it would be unfair to the second
man, to yourself, and to the man
that you really love, to marry
him. And it seems to me, too,
as if between you and the one you
love, there is something so great
that it cannot be marred, paralyzed,
operated on, or changed in any
way, no matter what happens to
his poor body.

But, in the last analysis, only the

The Office Cat

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An optimist is a man who can see
a bright lining to other people's clouds.
"They say music helps with the house-
work."
"All right, then put a stirring piece
on the phonograph. I'm mixing batter."

There is no remedy for a person who
is bald inside of his head.

GLORY

Traveler (grudgingly)—"I have played
before the crowned heads of Europe."
Bassist—(Puffing)—"I played before
the bobbed heads of New York."

The demand for new automobiles is
greater right now than it has ever been
in the history of the country. We do not
know whether that shows a healthy con-
dition or not.

THE FLAPPERS

Flappers are referred to as such in
a recently issued government report.
Our governmental reporters are nothing
if not snappy.

It is as hard to escape gas bills as
it is death and taxes. In winter the gas
company gets your money and in the
summer the gas station.

HE DOES? HE DOES!

Otto Daube
Painter and Decorator
—Sign on Pullerton St., Chicago.

GARDEN HINT

Put your head under the wheelbarrow
and you won't get wet when it rains.

There was a young lady named Polly
Said, "hubbie skirts are too jolly."
But the one that she wore
Tripped the little maid o'er,
And the man who was looking said
"Jolly."

LET IT GO AT THAT

Any fool can be a censor, but one has
to be somebody to be censored.

There is a movement to make hospitals
more homelike. This could easily be
done by raising the rent of hospital
rooms every day or so.

THE WISE HOME BREWER

He brewed a batch of brown home brew.
And still he has, I think,
A first rate chance for pulling through—
He's using it as ink.

"What has become of the tin loco-
motive and train of cars I gave you for
your birthday?"
"All smashed up," replied the small
boy. "We've been playing government
ownership."

The sock darter never gets her pic-
ture on the front page.

The easiest way in the world of mak-
ing a shadow is to stand in your own
sunshine.

A RATHER NEAT DISTINCTION

John McCormick's cabin was a mass
of flowers sent by members of his pri-
soners and friends.
—New York News.

There are girls who can fool every-
body, and then there are girls who have
small brothers.

RAKE TYPES

A girl I like
Is Phoebe Snow;
She wears "come up
Her knees don't show."

CHAS. E. TOWNSEND

LEADS; LODGE WINS

(Continued from Page One)

\$2,668 for Richard H. Fletcher
and 17,429 for Theodore M. Joslin.

DETROIT, Sept. 12.—The lead
of United States Senator Townsend
for the Republican gubernatorial
nomination stood at 14,244 at 2 o'clock
this morning on returns from 1225
of the 2856 precincts in the state.
The vote was: Townsend 62,092;
Baker 47,843; Kelley 26,575;
Emery 20,350.

All but four of the 83 counties
in the state were represented in the
partial returns.

Townsend during the campaign
was forced to defend himself
against the charge of "Newberry-
ism." Baker, his nearest opponent
in early returns tonight carried the
endorsement of the farmer-labor
elements; Congressman Kelley ad-
vocated decreased governmental
expenditures, while Emery, former
commander of the American Leg-
ion, appealed to the soldier vote
and "a new deal at Washington."
In addition to these points of ap-
peal all three of Senator Town-
send's opponents joined in attack-
ing him for his vote to seat Sen-
ator Newberry.

BOSTON, Sept. 12.—The first
ten election precincts to report in
today's primary gave Senator
Lodge, Republican, 583 votes to
366 for his opponent, Joseph
Walker.

In the Democratic contest for
the senatorial nomination the same
precincts gave William A. Gaston
35; John J. Walsh 22; Sherman L.
Whipple 19, and Daltus L. Sharp 4.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 12.—
Virtually complete returns from
yesterday's primary show the nom-
ination of William Cabell Bruce, of
Baltimore, as the Democratic candi-
date to contest the re-election of
Joseph Irwin France, to the United
States senate at the November
election.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Sept. 12.—
The nomination of Thomas G. Mc-
Leod, of Bishopville, for governor
of South Carolina, over former
Governor Cole L. Blease in today's
Democratic primary, was indicated.

Similar reductions were made
in the duties on pocket knives,
table, kitchen and other knives and
scissors and shears. Shingles,
which the house had proposed to
tax at 50 cents a thousand were
retained on the free list, but logs
of fir, spruce, cedar, or western
hemlock, were put back on the
dutiable list at \$1 a thousand
board feet. There is a provision,
however, that any such class of
logs out from any particular class
of lands would be exempt from
duty if imported from any coun-
try, dependency, etc., which had
not at any time during the 12
months preceding the imposi-
tion maintained any embargo, pro-
hibition or restriction upon the
exportation of such logs if cut from
such class of lands.

Levels Generally Approved
Duties on medicines and com-
ponents of paints were fixed at
levels generally approved by the
senate. This led to prolonged
fights before the senate acted.

Few changes were made in the
free list as approved by the senate.
Articles voted to that list by that
body and which will remain there
include white arsenic, bananas, old
books, fish for fertilizer purposes,
gloves made of cattle leather, tin
in bars, blocks or pigs; paving
poles, railroad ties and telephone
poles and pickets, pullings,
hoops and staves.

Ellsworth Crocker, violin in-
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tonight when a total of 155,451
votes tabulated by the state showed
McLeod leading Blease by 16,487
votes.

DENVER, Sept. 12.—William E.
Sweet, Denver bond dealer, was
leading in the Democratic race for
nomination for governor of Color-
ado tonight on the face of returns
from 110 out of 1424 precincts in
the state. Sweet's total was 2820;
Fred A. Sabin, of La Junta, had
2005 votes while B. L. Jefferson,
of Steamboat Springs, had 899.

In the Republican gubernatorial
contest, Benjamin Griffith, of Den-
ver, was leading Lieutenant Gov-
ernor Earl Cooley, of Trinidad, on
returns from 102 precincts. Griffith
had 1928 votes while Cooley's
total was 1441.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Sept. 12.—
With returns from nearly half of
the state tabulated, Redfield Pro-
ctor, of Proctor, a marble manufac-
turer and son of the late Senator
Proctor, was leading Lieutenant
Governor Foote, of Cornwall, by a
comfortable majority in the Re-
publican primary contest for nom-
ination for governor.

The vote from 106 cities and
towns out of 247 in the state gave
Foote 5210; Proctor 7277.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 12.—
Both Charles B. Ward, of Phoenix,
and former Governor George
Hunt, of Globe, candidates for
Democratic nomination for gov-
ernor, were claiming victory
last night on the face of early re-
turns from Arizona's primary and
election today.

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the bank because you
can't save up a big sum
to deposit. We respect
and appreciate modest
accounts and would
much rather have fifteen
new accounts
started with \$10 each
than just one initial de-
posit of \$150. In the
long run it's better for
the bank. So don't put
it off any longer; come
right in with that lit-
tle sum you intend to
deposit, and let us take
care of it for you
while you're saving
more.

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