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Let the People Rule.

The voters of Oregon will be called upon next November to vote on a large number of measures that have been filed at Salem under the Initiative, or through the Referendum, and those who are at all times opposed to the people making their own laws, those who through birth or fortuitous circumstances have gained a financial ascendancy over their fellows, and have become self-constituted leaders of the mass of the people, bring forth the plea that it is impossible that the voters of the state as a whole can act with any degree of intelligence on public measures, and that only representatives elected to make the laws can give to contemplated acts of legislation that careful deliberation and intelligent insight which is necessary for the passage of wise and just laws.

It may be that every man is not capable of acting with intelligence in voting on a public measure, but the average voter is as well qualified to act thereon as the average legislator. The majority of the men who constitute any given legislature are selected from the rank and file, and that they can give, in the short time the legislature is in session, the necessary thought and deliberation to all the vast number of measures that come before them, is not proven by efforts of past legislatures. If representative government was the success that it advocates so strongly proclaim, the people never would take the making of the laws directly into their own hands.

When conditions become intolerable the people take the initiative of lawmaking into their own hands, and as is to be expected, make many blunders and mistakes, in the beginning, through inexperience. Do those who profess to know the way by reason of superior intelligence and education, seek to lead them aright? Not if they belong to that class who believe, or profess to believe, that Providence has ordained that the few shall rule and the many shall be ruled. Rather they sit back and point out how the people of Greece two thousand years ago made a failure of self government, and predict the same dire result in this day.

The Republican party will hold a state assembly in a few weeks for the purpose of meeting together and selecting after due investigation into their character and fitness, men whom they think it would be for the best interest of the state to vote for at the coming primaries.

Why not have something on that order in regard to the making of the laws? Let representatives be selected from each county, who will meet once in two years, carefully inquire into the merits of each measure placed

before them; pointing out the good and bad qualities of each to the voters through the publications of the state. Let the people have time to carefully review and ponder over them, and the chances are that a more intelligent action will be taken on them by the voters as a whole than would be the case in the legislature, where men selected for the most part from the mass have only a comparatively short time to consider the hundreds of measures that come before them. If government directly by the people will always be a failure, then representative government in this country will also be a failure, because the average legislator is not superior in intelligence to the average voter. If the people are weak the legislator will be weak, because—he is from the people.

Advertise Your Business.

Don't imagine for a moment that advertising will not bring you results in your immediate field. That's an error that many merchants make, when they assure themselves that their store is so well known that it doesn't require newspaper advertising—that the trade will naturally drift his way, anyhow. There isn't a store anywhere in the world that has so secure a footing as that—not a single store—and you are not doing business in a field but that your sales can be increased by careful newspaper advertising. If this is not true, why is it that a stream of mail orders is constantly going out of your town to catalogue houses? And are not these sales made by these catalogue houses the result of persistent advertising in the very field you feel that you have cultivated to the limit? Whenever you get such an idea fixed in your mind, and really believe that there's nothing more to conquer, you are simply turning over ready money to the man that does possess the broader vision—you are ceding territory and rights to others that careful newspaper advertising would retain in your possession.

The Value of Exchange.

Occasionally you find the publisher of a country sheet who plumes himself over the fact he exchanges with but few of the smaller papers of the state, setting forth that did he so exchange, his advertisers might be deceived in thinking he had a larger circulation than was really the case. The PRESS has a large number of exchanges among the country publications, and believes that a much more comprehensive knowledge of the different sections of Oregon may be thereby obtained than from the metropolitan papers. Most of the publishers of country papers, while boasting for their home town, are not so narrow but what they will speak an occasional good word for others, if the opportunity to know of such towns is placed in their way. While we live in the "prettiest town in Oregon," there are other sections of the state where people like to live, and by joining forces with the country papers of Oregon we may better induce residents of the East to come where there is room for ten times the present population and golden opportunities for all.

"Yellow Pup" No Mascot.

The evening before the scrap between Jeffries and Johnson a yellow dog entered the cottage of the white fighter and sought refuge under Jeff's chair. It is possible that the streak of "yellow" that was expected to show in the negro when he entered the ring, evaporated the day before the fight, and some good fairy of the white man's backers caused it to assume the shape of a dog, and sent the animal to Jeff's camp as a warning. They failed to take the tip, however, and the coon failed to show the "yellow" and now no one, from toothless old grand dad to the cooing infant in arms, will be content until some stalwart caucasion comes forward and retrieves the "honor" of the white race.

Professor Lowell says the Martians are not human beings, and yet there some who desire him to produce the records of his trip to and from the little planet.

A scientist has discovered that there are three times as many germs in a plate of ice cream as there are in a kiss. Even that will not prevent a merger of them, when the season is fairly opened.

We men have kicked so long and persistently about the money women spend for clothes that some are trying to satisfy us by only clothing about half the body. The latest, the mermaid dress, is an example. It certainly does not bind on the lungs.

Scientists who have established telepathic communication with Mars and learned all about its irrigation system have reason to fear the rivalry of the Harvard prodigy who has devised a means of reaching the planet Venus in 20 minutes with a radium aeroplane.

In Japan, day laborers get 20 cents a day; and women servants receive 84 cents a month. Our informant does not explain whether the women servants get Thursday afternoons off or not, but we suppose they do. Our indignation should be at once aroused if we thought they didn't.

Even Champaign, Illinois, has gone dry.

To Be Congratulated.

The "Opportunity Edition" of the Umpqua Valley News, published at Roseburg, Douglas county, Oregon, issued last week by the enterprising publisher of that paper, contains twenty pages setting forth in a very comprehensive and entertaining manner the resources and advantages of Roseburg and the Umpqua Valley. The edition contains a large number of fine half-tones of the residence and business houses of Roseburg, and in picture and story shows the wonderful productiveness, especially in the way of fruit, of the Umpqua Valley. We congratulate the publisher of the News and the people of that section on the fine edition.

Four kisses brought \$20 in Omaha. Let's hope they were worth it.

Perhaps it really was cheaper to move than pay rent in the good old days.

A mosquito lays forty eggs a day. One sometimes wonders how he gets the time.

The Egyptian tombs outdo the New Jersey cold storage warehouses in all but quantity.

No man likes to be interrupted in the midst of a sentence unless he is serving a sentence in jail.

Taft supporters are greatly interested in the proposition that Roosevelt head a delegation to the South Pole.

It's the same with women who fish for compliments as it is with other anglers. The big ones always get away.

Perhaps you have noticed how some men hurry to get nowhere in order to do something they have no excuse for doing.

A man in Virginia ate some canned corn, herrings and ice cream. The floral offerings at his funeral were beautiful.

If railway managers traveled less in private cars they might learn some of the reasons why railway companies are unpopular.

As Germany has plenty of soldiers it is comparatively easy to collect the remains of the steerable balloons that run away in the German sky.

Possibly it is no sin to play golf on Sunday, except on the theory that it is sinful to waste time on Sunday or any other day of the week.

The Californian who announces that he has developed an edible rose might now turn his attention, as other horticulturalists have been urged to do, to the production of a scentless onion.

HILDA THE HELPER

VI.—She Is a Harmonizer

Hilda the Helper organized the Women's Civic Service, and, oh, THE WAY SHE ENERGIZED made Mrs. Slowpoke nervous.



And old Miss Knocker was so mad she wouldn't 'tend the meetings at first, but later she got glad and sent her kindest greetings.

Hilda the Helper, don't you see, was such A SWIRL OF ACTION she made the women all agree and strangled every faction.

Oregon Electric Time Card

| LEAVES Forest Grove | ARRIVES at Portland |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 6:50 a m | 8:00 a m |
| 8:40 a m | 9:50 a m |
| 10:30 a m | 11:40 a m |
| 12:20 p m | 1:30 p m |
| 1:40 p m | 2:50 p m |
| 4:10 p m | 5:20 p m |
| 7:00 p m | 8:10 p m |
| 9:45 p m | 10:50 p m |

| LEAVES Portland | ARRIVES Forest Grove |
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| 7:05 a m | 8:15 a m |
| 8:30 a m | 9:40 a m |
| 10:20 a m | 11:30 a m |
| 12:10 p m | 1:20 p m |
| 2:10 p m | 3:20 p m |
| 3:30 p m | 4:40 p m |
| 5:30 p m | 6:40 p m |
| 8:25 p m | 9:35 p m |

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