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USELESS LAWS.

Useless and unenforced laws are the bane of modern administration. Every city, every state, and the nation, has them. Their existence is usually either due to carelessness on the part of legislators or to the fact that unnecessary laws are shuffled through at the instance of some faction or other, and then later they are found to be either unwise or unapplicable. Also, many laws simply outgrow their usefulness—a changed condition causes them to be no longer efficient or desirable.

It is to be hoped that at yesterday's election a number of unnecessary proposed laws were not put into being by the vote of the people. Oregon has enough and to spare of complicated and unneeded laws as it is, without adding, through initiative petition or otherwise, to the existing crop. Before adding more let us first do away with many that are now on the statutes, cluttering the mechanism of state, accomplishing nothing other than to add to administrative and legal complications, and notably lowering popular respect for wise and useful laws because they exist side by side with the latter, unenforced and ridiculed.

A striking example of the situation is found in Washington. That state has a law forbidding the sale of cigarettes. Today, in any tobacco store in Seattle, you can buy cigarettes. There is no slightest pretense of secrecy, the outlawed product is sold as freely and openly as cabbages or shoes. The law was a ridiculous one. It could never be enforced—as was demonstrated—and it should never have been enacted. That it remains, and that thousands of Washingtonians are violating it daily, makes not only that particular law, but, in a measure, all laws and legal machinery, a joke, and a vicious joke at that.

The dead timber should be cut. Legal simplification would be a blessing.

BACK TO THE SOIL.

The recently organized Hebrew Agricultural Association of Oregon is doing excellent work in inducing members of their faith, particularly heads of families to file on government lands in Central and Eastern Oregon.

About thirty heads of families have already filed on lands in the Bend and Lakeview districts and a number of others are ready to do so in the early spring. All these homesteaders are self-sustaining and have sufficient money to keep them going while on the land.

The "Back to the soil" movement is spreading among the Jewish people all over the country. Over 5000 of them are now earning their livelihood in the New England states by tilling the soil and many abandoned farms have again become fruitful under their skillful and patient work.

One of the principal supporters of this movement is Ben Selling, the prominent Portland merchant, who is very much interested in the upbuilding of the sparsely settled sections of Oregon particularly Central and Eastern Oregon, with desirable homesteaders and homeseekers. A number of other prominent men are backing the movement and much can be expected from this organization in the encouragement of the proper kind of settlers filing on Oregon lands.

The October issue of the "Oregon Monthly," published at the University of Oregon, contains an interesting article upon the country journalism of the state, written by Edna McKnight, and based upon an extended study of Oregon weekly papers. The writer finds a decided improvement during the last five

years in the general character of the papers, but calls attention to the fact that very few are giving any adequate attention to the field of agricultural development. However, The Bulletin is cited as an exception of this general neglect, in the following paragraph:

In the recent publication by The Bend Bulletin of a series of articles written by an authority on agriculture, we have a rather significant suggestion of what may be done in the interest of rural subscribers. The fact to be particularly noted in this connection, however, is that these articles are being prepared especially for this community, and thus will be based upon an actual knowledge of its needs.

Perhaps the most notable feature of the just-completed presidential campaign is the fact that for the first time in the history of similar political eruptions, there has been no business flurry and no appreciable economic disturbance. The country has gone on about its business undisturbed. Prosperity is general. All lines of enterprises throughout the United States are flourishing. The customary "hard times" howl of the presidential year has been shelved, because there isn't any excuse to put it in operation. All of which means that the far-sighted men of the country realize that a period of unexampled prosperity lies before us and that they further realize that whatever their personal preferences, so far as candidates are concerned, and whatever the individual benefits or disadvantages that may result to their investments through the election of one or another candidate, the fact remains that fundamentally business is going to progress just about as satisfactorily under one presidential regime as under another. There can be no other explanation. Whatever the outcome of the election, the people of business power have no fears. Whence comes the peculiarly stable and unhystrical existing state of national business, despite the election. And whence also may be drawn a big measure of satisfaction on the part of every businessman, property owner and wage earner—for the outlook holds nothing but that which is promising.

In the course of trying to cook up nasty things to say about Dr. Coe, one of the Redmond papers remarked something or other about "the timber interests that center at Bend". Now for one of our neighbors, that is something of an admission. For not so long ago the press of our sister community came forward with the bald assertion that there wasn't a stick of commercial timber anywhere near Bend, or words to that effect. So, at least, the late lamented campaign has brought the light of veracity in one respect to an unwilling scribe. The truth will out.

The management of the Pioneer Telephone Company is to be congratulated upon its progressiveness in obtaining the full county and other election returns, and its generosity in distributing this information to be commended.

It begins to look as if Turkey will be cooked a trifle in advance of Thanksgiving Day.

WOODROW WILSON.



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NOTICE OF CONTEST.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, October 31, 1912.

To Phillip Jones, of 312 1/2 1st St., Portland, Oregon, Contestee: You are hereby notified that Emile N. Landre, who gives care E. E. Parker, Bend, Oregon, as his postoffice address, did on September 6, 1912, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry No., Serial No. 07122 made July 1, 1910, for E 1/2, Section 19, Township 20, S., Range 17, E., Willamette Meridian and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Phillip Jones has never established residence upon said land; that he has never cultivated or improved the same.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contestant's written acknowledgement or his receipt of the copy, showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit of the person by whom the delivery was made stating when and where the copy was delivered; if made by registered mail, proof of such service must consist of the affidavit of the person by whom the copy was mailed stating when and the post office to which it was mailed, and this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmaster's receipt for the letter.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

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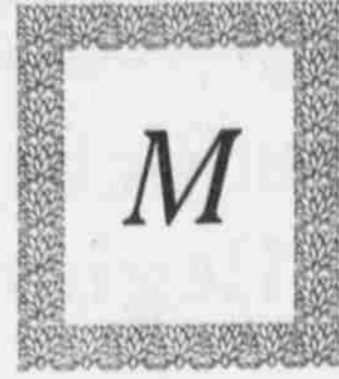
Dear Friend:

We were away from home in jelly-making time, but Mama says she is not going to worry over a hot stove any more to make jelly and jam. She says she can buy it cheaper than she can make it and just as good. Do you know you can get a real nice glass of jelly, any kind you want for 25 cts.

Your friend,
Jacob.

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