

Two men of national fame have just died. One devoted his life to the accumulation of wealth, the other to the service of his fellow men. At the bedside of one the nation watched with anxiety and also with admiration for the brave struggle he made for life. At the bedside of the other the nation watched with equal anxiety and admiration, and also with an affection that was lacking with the first. The reason for the difference is obvious to all. That Harriman in some ways benefitted his fellow men all will admit, but his prime purpose was to serve himself. Governor Johnson consecrated his life to his fellows.

How fully that was recognized is seen in the three-fold election to the highest office in a state in which the majority of the people belong to a party opposed to the one in which he was the most distinguished leader. Governor Johnson belonged to that sturdy, virile, Scandinavian stock whose industry, pluck, intelligence, perseverance and sterling moral qualities have done so much to build up this country along material and moral lines. In the indomitable superiority to circumstances he constantly showed, and in his robust character and marked ability he was a conspicuous example of the radical truth he have stated. The country is the poorer by reason of his death and all parties and all classes recognize the good he has done, revere his memory and sincerely sympathize with his family in their great sorrow.

The irrigation question like that of the deep waterways, is fortunately not one of party. Every discerning person at all conversant with natural conditions of the west knows full well that so fertile naturally is the soil that it only needs the application of water to make immense tracts of land remarkably productive and capable of supporting a large and flourishing population. So vast, however, is the project that it is generally felt that to secure best results federal as well as state and private aid should be continued. That economy in national expenditures is most desirable is true, but it would be poor economy to stop or curtail work on projects which if carried out would not only benefit particular localities but also the whole country, and that is what would probably happen if federal aid is withdrawn. There are other ways, such as franking and congressional privileges, in which the desired reduction might well be made.

Mr. Harriman was said to have expressed the wish that he was a farmer instead of a financier, because it would have meant for him greater contentment and happiness. There are many wishes which are unattainable, but the wish for a farmer's life could have been realized by Mr. Harriman any day he chose. He had to turn his back on Wall street and stick close to the soil. But evidently it was but a sentimental wish, not meant to be taken seriously, and that is the case with many expressed preferences.

Few prouder boys could be found anywhere in the country than those who were recently used by detectives in Omaha, to assist in the arrest of some train robbers. One of the toys pulled a leather string from a pile of rubbish in a vacant lot, and found an automatic pistol at the end of it. He discovered burglars' tools also, and told the police. The police concluded that the robbers would come back to the rubbish pile to get their property, and had the boys play in the neighborhood, and keep watch for strangers; if any appeared one boy was to leave the game and telephone to the police station. The plan worked successfully, and those accused of the robberies were arrested.

Very few will disagree with J. J. Hill about the evil effects of the continuous drift from the country to the city. It is hoped that the improved social conditions now enjoyed on the farm and the higher prices obtained for farm produce would turn the tide or at the very least check the flow,

but the hope has not been realized. And yet ultimately it will come to that. Smaller farms, extensive and more intelligent farming with corresponding increased yield per acre, better roads and further improvements in rural social life will, with the growing consciousness of the struggle for existence in the cities lead to a better balancing of rural and urban population.

The artificial divorce between private and public character, so common years ago, is now rare. People now regard the character of a public official as one. That is as a private citizen and as an office holder he is the same man under different circumstances. Under the old idea many men of unsound private life were chosen to office if they possessed ability. Now it is generally recognized that no man is to be entrusted with public office unless his private life is clean.

One hundred dollars is offered by Philip S. Bates, secretary of the Oregon Threshers' Association, for the best bushel of wheat grown in Oregon. An additional \$100 will be divided as secondary prizes. All exhibits should be shipped to The Dalles Saturday, November 27, where the entries will be judged and prizes awarded. The contest will make a wheat show that will be held in connection with the annual convention of the Oregon Threshers Association December 2 and 3 at The Dalles.

The Cleveland primaries have resulted in the nomination of Mayor Johnson again on the Democratic ticket and Herman C. Bashr on the Republican ticket. Both sides of the street car controversy are now committed to the lowest rate of fare which will give adequate service and 6 per cent profit on the capital invested. Under the new Bronson primary law, under which this election was held, each voter was required to announce publicly on entering the booth to which party he belonged, this statement binding him for at least two years.

The humor of college hazing has failed to appeal to the New York Legislature. That body has lately provided a penalty of from \$10 to \$100 for the ordinary forms of hazing, and has classified as mayhem that form of the "sport" in which the victim is branded with nitrate of silver or other like substance. The penalty for the offense is imprisonment for not less than three years.

On the active list of the United States regular army there are now only fifteen officers who saw service in the Civil War, and all of these will be retired by the age limit, 64 years, within the next six years. The youngest of the fifteen, Colonel John L. Clem, is known in history as "the drummer boy of Shiloh," and he was under 11 years of age when he beat the drum at the head of the Union troops in the famous charge of that battle.

That the Wright brothers have started a suit for alleged infringement of their patents may be taken as a pretty sure sign that aviators generally believe in the success of aerial navigators. Infringements are not made upon unworkable patents, neither do the holders of such patents care to defend them against infringements.

President Taft's visit to Portland during the week was of course the big event of the fall that had been looked forward to with no little anticipation for months. The President was well entertained. He was heard and seen by thousands of Oregon citizens and Oregonians are satisfied that he will have a better knowledge of the Coast and its needs than before starting out on his extended trip through the country.

The tour of the states which President Taft is now making gives the press correspondents a good chance to draw upon their imagination. What they know or think they know about the president's utterances in coming speeches makes interesting if not informing reading.

It is a singular fact that the most enthusiastic advocates of country life live in the cities, while the most enthusiasm for city life is shown by people in the country.

Christian Church Announcements. Services as usual next Lord's Day. At the morning service the pastor will preach on "What kind of shoes should a Christian wear." At night "Better Bread than can be made with wheat." All welcome. Don't forget the Sunday School.

Some Apples.

John Gibson the Fruitvale rancher, wears the belt for apple yield so far this season. From 20 snow apple trees Mr. Gibson has picked 36 boxes per tree, about half of which are four tier apples from which he will net about \$1.50 per box. This gives him a total of \$1068 from his twenty trees or \$53.40 per tree. Mr. Gibson also has some excellent Newtons, Spitzenbergs and Winesaps.—Pilot Rock Record.

Baptist Church Notes.

The two ships chartered for the "Trip to Palestine," are making good progress. The Mauretania at present is some distance ahead, but both sides are working hard and every one is enthusiastic. The voyage will be continued next Sunday at 10 a. m. prompt. At 11 o'clock Pastor Ryder will have a message interesting to all. At 7:30 we are looking for another of those bright evangelistic services, with plenty of music and an address by the pastor. A cordial invitation to all.

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