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NEWBERRY REPUBLICANISM

Truman H. Newberry, who stands charged with having resorted to "fraud, conspiracy and corruption" in compassing his election as United States Senator from Michigan, appears daily in the Senate to take part in its deliberations. He occupies the seat which must remind him of the grave accusations lodged against him in a federal court. He knows that visitors in the galleries are pointing him out as a member whose right to be a Senator is to be tested by a criminal prosecution. Yet he continues there, in the face of all past practice and present reasons for remaining away. Truman H. Newberry must feel that Michigan needs him more than it needs observance of propriety.

One evidence of the utter want of cohesiveness and efficiency of the G. O. P. majority in Congress is furnished by the railroad legislation. The House of Representatives passed a bill which was hailed and paraded as paragon of legislative wisdom. The Senate is going to pass another paragon—some time—wholly dissimilar and contradictory to the House measure. The two paragons will then have to be reconciled in conference.

Some one has estimated that the Republican Congress uttered a total of 14,000,000 words in the course of the special session. About twice that many more will be required to explain why nothing was accomplished in seven months' time.

The Supreme Court has decided that only the President can declare the war is ended. Some Republican Senators who thought Congress had that authority are as deficient as lawyers as Senator Moses is as a doctor.

Republican organs are promising that the regular session of the G. O. P. Congress will be an improvement on the special session. The regular session may be only half as long as the special session.

Prof. Garner, the expert on Simian speech, brought suit against a photographer who accused him, pictorially, of kissing a monkey. Why get so sore about it? Monkeys are at least as decent as dogs, and plenty of nice people have

been known to kiss dogs. Or haven't they?

Among the faces missed from the Christmas carolers this year were little Tom and Jerry.

A medical writer insists that people don't "catch cold." So far as we can grasp the philosophy of the thing, it's the cold that catches them.

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

KICKS

Democracy
"Disguised the bondage as we will
'Tis, woman, woman rules us still."

Letter Box
Sir: A new house is being built next door to Dr. Leininger, Sr. Has this any significance as to Dr. Leininger Jr?

Ans.—We cannot answer personal questions like this in the column, but we are mailing you, madam, the latest nuptial prognostication concerning Doctor Arthur, Jr.

Sir: Please take "Woman" for the subject of your Vocabulary Club—Hank Shush.

Ans.—Woman needs no eulogy. She speaks for herself.

Vocab. Club

WOMAN: 1—A subject for poetry, sculpture, music and debate. 2—The major fraction. 3—The power behind the throne in each man's castle. 4—The greatest creditor, and yet unpaid; who gives life, yet loses it. 5—Alpha. 6—Omega. 7—The rock of civilization. 8—The fairest work of the Great Author; edition large, and no man should be without a copy. 9—A spare rib. 10—A wonder discovered anew by each budding young man. 11—A modern problem (unsolved.)

Hobnobbing

Sir: Is a man "traveling thru life" necessarily "on the road?"

Ans.—Not except when he has to get out and crawl under.

Wise Ones

Step up; poverty is only a day's march behind. We all learn well; let us act accordingly. A rough mug sometimes hides a polished heart. Merit and money usually go together. Don't worry; honesty isn't quite an unfashionable garment yet. M-o-n-e-y cannot successfully be made to spell "matrimony." Individual reasons must legislate laws to curb individual passion. If a man kiss whom he pleases he will fail to please whom he kisses. Every man's life is a debt to his country. Who is as ready to correct himself as to publish his brother's errors? Cheer up; we need not blush when we quaff water, nor hide it from the law in our celars.

Tale of Two (2) Cents

There was an ancient time,
When upon ten cents, a dime,
A woman bold could have a shopping spree;
But alack, alas, ah's me,
Dimes ain't what they used to be,
Now it takes a ten to buy a cup of tea.

Without a Kick in It

Since kicks are unlawful and knockers taboo
By A.

He Likes Song—

The Columbian maintains a column designed to give its readers a public forum, where they may discuss matters of current interest, it says. We want every subscriber to use it, but send the poetry to the lovelorn where a mantle of charity and love will bridge the wide gulf between merit and poetic ambition.

A Little Late With His Own Medicine—

Sir William Osler, who has been credited with declaring that men ought to be chloroformed at 60 years of age, has just died, aged 70, reports the Times of Brownsville, without comment.

Balmly Weather—

The Lebanon Express reports that a hive of bees in that city swarmed on Tuesday of last week, and thinks that may indicate that we have had our coldest weather for the season. May the prophecy prove true!

We Agree—

Approval by the taxpayers of the county of the appropriation for a county agricultural agent is a step toward progress, declares the Polk Itimizer. Few really progressive farmers or business men deny the value of such an official to the farming interests of the county.

Resolved—

"Resolved that I will be a good American, loyal to my government, its laws and its institutions, and that I will help to drive out those who seek to undermine the principles upon which it is founded." A pretty good resolution for all of us to make and to keep, thinks the Astoria Budget.

You Bet!—

Let's have the band out and the streets blocked when the boys get home, the Register suggests. They missed winning by a hair's breadth, but they played the game with true Oregon spirit and courage. And they had Harvard scared out of her boots.

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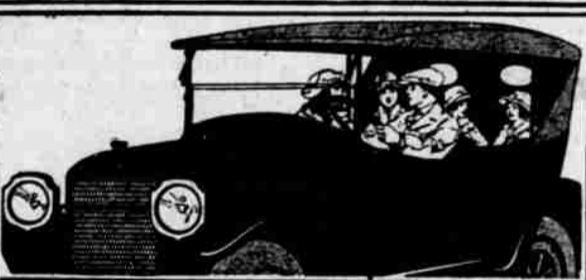
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