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It is said that England enjoyed such a long reign of peace and internal development following the War of the Roses because three-fourths of the nobility were slain. The word Nobility like many other words has different meanings. In Europe it stands for the unemployed class, the barnacles, not the producers. A casual glance of the history of the world will reveal the fact that nine-tenths of the wars in the past have been caused by this unemployed class. It is the custom for these counts and no-accounts to be assigned small provinces, where they can rob, plunder and murder at will. Whenever the people rise up against one of these they expect to pay the price with a few of their liberties taken away their property appropriated and other minor punishments which the fancy of the grieved party might invent. The sad part of the whole affair is that the burden always falls on the common people.

The Unemployed Class in Europe

The only questions that The Hague Tribunal can not adjudicate are questions affecting national honor. As long as Europe tolerates this unemployed class, just so long will she continue to invite strife and bloodshed. In America we are all kings and queens. Kings, queens, counts and no-accounts in Europe are on the side of expense, they represent what the country has invested in useless enterprises.

The only available use that has been discovered so far for them is that they furnish husbands for the idle rich of America, who readily fall in with the dog parties, cat funerals, diamond dog collars, and butterfly balls. A man at work is a safe man, idleness breeds Harry Thaws and Boni Castelaines. Any state is in grave danger which raised and educated men for other than profitable vocations. Every man should be able to work with his hands and unless a state does insist on this, it will sooner or later pass out from the list of independent states and its identity be but a matter of historical importance.

The Herald editor is pleased to note that not less than a dozen of our exchanges last week contained either in whole or in part certain editorial and news comments from our columns. Help yourselves, gentlemen. Our editorials are the products of our own minds and if they find a responsive chord in your train of thoughts you are welcome to make use of them as you see fit.

Harry Thaw out-talked several attorneys before Judge Oliver, of New York, recently, and was awarded \$160,000 due him from his father's estate. That's not bad for a crazy man.

Private Cornett is thinking of enlisting with the Servians or Germans, it doesn't matter which. He has quite a reputation for his marksmanship. Servia claimed that Austria's complaints were mostly "psychological."

The editor has been in several of the nearby towns lately and in every case he has heard good words spoken about the way Heppner is progressing. One man in Lexington spoke of the day current, stating what a fine thing that was and wishing they had had it even the night current there.

As Others See Us

Another spoke of the Palace introducing the European plan in the dining room. At Lone one man declared that he would never live in Lone another year without getting the Council to oil the streets. He said that he had seen the streets in Heppner since they were oiled and was surprised that it was done so cheaply. Lone will have oiled streets next year. Arrangement should be made with them to use the sprinkler that we have. Some people might not know it, but we have a dozen new families in the city. Several of these are experienced men with a trade. You can't stand still in this world, when you do the microbes of dissolution set to work. You either go ahead or go back. Heppner offers many more advantages than the average county seat, we are adding to these.

An Example of Getting Together

The managers of the Tum-a-Lum yards at Lone and Lexington, Mr. Cronk and Mr. Rood, respectively, deserve a word of praise. When the Fair Board decided to erect some permanent buildings, the question came up as to who should be given the contract for the lumber. Since the Fair is a county institution it was decided to let all the lumber men put in bids. Mr. Cronk and Mr. Rood came to Heppner at the request of the Board. When they looked the situation over they decided that the lumber should be bought from the Heppner yards. The contract would not materially effect the yearly sales of any company but the big idea that we wish to mention is that it gives you a line on the mental development of these men. It shows a willingness to get together and work for the good of the fair, the individuals and the entire county. Such a spirit as this will make Morrow County go forward with tremendous strides.

As a matter of economy, they tell us that to burn your lights in the daytime means that they will last only one-half as long. The geographies will need a little changing by the time school starts, probably before. Servia should have employed Huerta several days ago and all of this trouble could have been avoided.

It is reported that the Mexicans in Vera Cruz are waxing rich from the American colony there. One enterprising railroad is running excursions to that place in order that the natives might see the soldiers.

There might be no Austrian flag for the Servians to salute when the time comes for saluting flags.

a multiplicity of laws designed to govern and rule every detail of his daily conduct.
(Paid Advertisement.)

In a talk with Mr. Phelps we learn that Morrow County is supplying enough sweet corn for local consumption. Four years ago, Mr. Phelps said, there was scarcely an ear grown here. Bert Peck took the prize offered by the O. W. R. & N. for dry land corn, which is no small honor. The railroad has encouraged corn production here and at the present time one can see fields as good as you see in the Central states.

Dr. Winnard believes in fresh air. Last Friday night he invited the Herald force and Walter Hill and B. J. Sigsbee to take a little spin in his Maxwell 25. There was just sufficient weight to make the car ride easy. After a half an hour's riding, Dr. took us home.

Mrs. P. A. Stevens and grandson, Virgil, and daughter, Zettie, returned from Seattle, Saturday evening. While in that city they attended the Dunkard's Convention. Miss Stephens took a course in German and Drawing at the Summer School.

Mr. Herb Thielen, of Pendleton, is working in the Noble harness store. He is a young unmarried man and seems to be an experienced workman. Just how long he will stay, he does not know.

The Summer Resort is without occupants.

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THE SCUTTLERS THE REFORMERS

BY HEPPNER BRANCH NO. 1

With the traditional faith which the American people place in the be-it-enacted of a legislative body, we are in a fair way to become the most regulated and circumscribed people in the world. No king, desiring to hold his throne, would dare to impose the restrictions upon his subjects and to interfere in their private affairs as the elected officials of the American representative democracy interfere in the affairs of the people.

With our legislators deeming it a distinction and a sign of progress to be able to return to their constituents and enumerate a long list of laws which they have initiated and enacted to regulate this and penalize that, we are in a fair way of getting back to the good old days when there were over a thousand crimes in the English law that were deemed felonies.

A notable address was delivered before the New York Bar Association by ex-Judge Cullen of the court of appeals on the changing views of liberty. The reaction from the intense individualism of the early part of the nineteenth century, has thrown us in to the arms of professional reformers, moral regulators and community busy-bodies who purpose to place the masses in a legislative straight-jacket and compel them to be moral.

The working class is forced to bear the brunt of the growing denial of the freedom of the citizen to live his life without having to account to a town regulator or the policeman on the beat. Its amusements are singled out for supervision, regulation or censorship. The masses are deemed to be essentially immoral, incapable of protecting themselves, and in need of the solicitous care of the "better classes" sensible of their superiority and conscious of their responsibilities. They pass these prohibitory laws to

regulate the poor and impose upon the masses for their protection by the class which feels that it can not be true to itself or faithful to heaven unless it shall have at least one or two of these laws passed every election to save the masses from themselves. These laws have failed to improve the morals of anyone but have served to exalt police authority and add one more official crime.

Judge Cullen, in reviewing the decisions of the courts sustaining arbitrary authority and the extension of official interference in the affairs of the citizen, cited the mass of evidence to show that many of the liberties which we thought had been secured from attack by constitutional guarantees, are being denied and undermined. We quote from the New York Sun's report of his address:

Of the decisions of the West Virginia courts sustaining martial law in the coal strike zone, he said: "These decisions exalt the military power beyond any height hitherto known in this country. They assert the power of the military at the uncontrolled discretion of a single man to dispose of the life and liberty of any person within the state, not by way of detention until the termination of an insurrection, not where life is taken in the actual clash of arms, but purely as a punishment for acts which may not be offenses at all by law."

Judge Cullen said that the "lust for military intervention" has grown until it is "becoming the common practice in case of any great disaster, such as fire or flood to call out the military."

Relating how "a young lady acting as the secretary of the governor," recently placed the town of Copperfield, Oregon, under martial law because the civil authorities failed to close the saloons, he said:

"Thus one violation of liberty and law leads to another till the practice becomes common."

Of the Minnesota law forbidding reports of executions, Judge Cullen declared that the court decisions supporting it "enunciated a doctrine fatal to the liberty of the press. He added:

"I believe that on many subjects it is right that the public mind should be excited in spite of whatever disadvantage may come from that condition and I had supposed that it was the inalienable right of the press to excite public opinion on the subject of any wrong so that that wrong might be redressed."

Judge Cullen said that the present day tendency was to make all human shortcomings crimes. "In this state," he said, "we now have over 200 felonies and over double that number of misdemeanors. The list of offenses which are being committed in the name of the people against their own liberties could be extended until it should compose an astounding indictment of those who govern in the people's name."

When Jefferson said that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," he indicated that each generation, if it would be free, must protect and secure its own liberties.

The fathers are dead. They can do nothing for us. We must fight our own battles.

If our experiment in democracy is not to perish, the masses of the people must become conscious of their interests and realize that every denial of freedom, be it of the individual directly, as the interference with their wholesome amusements, or in the denial of the liberty of the press and freedom of speech, the setting up of martial law and writs of injunction, strikes at them and is calculated, if not in every instance designed, to hold them in subjection to a ruling class.

We can not have a free democracy where the citizen is made conscious that to avoid arrest and prosecution as a criminal he must walk in fear of

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