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PASS THE APPLES.

When every pool in Eden was a mirror,
That unto Eve her dainty charms proclaimed,
She went undraped without a single fear or
Thought that she had need to be ashamed.

'Twas only when she'd eaten of the apple
That she became inclined to be a prude,
And found that evermore she'd have to grapple
With the much-debated problem of the nude.

Thereafter she devoted her attention,
Her time and all her money to her clothes,
And that was the beginning of Con-
vention,
And Modesty, as well, I suppose.

Reaction's come about in fashions, recent,
Now girls conceal so little from the men,
It would seem, in the name of all that's decent,
Someone ought to pass the apples round again.

—Frank Simpson, Huntington, W. Va.

Seven years ago Adolf Sachter came to the United States from Europe, being a native of Austria-Hungary. After remaining in New York one year he sent over to the old country for his sweetheart. She later arrived, they were married and came out west. For two years they lived in Spokane, but being desirous of owning their own home, they came to Morrow county, where Mr. Sachter filed on a homestead, the land being located in north Morrow county. Previously, Mr. Sachter had taken out his first papers toward becoming a citizen of this country and after three years of worry and hard work for a livelihood while living on the homestead he looked forward eagerly to the day when he could make his final proof and the land he has so desired would be his own. However, near the time when the final proof is to be made, Mr. Sachter is informed that certain proof of his continued residence in this country is lacking and that he will not be able to make his final proof until he is given full citizenship papers. It means that two of the seven years residence which he offered have been disqualified and he must wait two more years before he can be given the rights entitled to citizens of this country.

It is a pity and a shame that this man, who in the first place did not settle on as good land as he might have have chosen, and a man with such an earnest desire to become a citizen, making a home for himself and family by means of his thrift and industry, should be denied what is rightfully his through a technicality in the law. For such men as Adolf Sachter the government could afford to concede much, for it is his type which makes the country produce, and bloom forth in a manner which the thrifty people from the old continent seem best able to do.

Seems as though everybody is rushing the can now—for buttermilk.

Real estate on Main street was going sky high this week. An application of oil will keep the street from blowing away.

Morrow county is confronted with one of the best crop prospects of years. Putting this condition with the prevailing prices for sheep and wool, we can only say that prosperity is inevitable.

The cutting up of the local branch line into three section divisions means that the O-W. R. & N. Co. intend to keep the road between Heppner and the Junction in better condition than ever before.

Heppner citizens should not become alarmed now when the fire bell rings in a slow manner. Five tolls will ring out at intervals of thirty seconds on evenings of Commercial Club meetings. Now don't say you didn't hear the bell.

Mayor Best and his old friend Arthur J. Gibson have started a publicity campaign over at Pendleton. Best charged Gibson with violating the dance ordinance and Gibson came back strong by charging Best with using obscene language at a recent boxing contest. Mr. Best is a candidate for the legislature from Umatilla county.

THE VANISHING ISSUE.

There is no use throwing it up to the Democrats that they found a Tariff Board when they took possession, and promptly tossed it into the waste basket instead of strengthening and improving it. Probably they know now that the country wants a real Tariff Commission; that the political disadvantages of the old system outweigh its advantages; that, unless all sings fall, the country is going to face a world-trade competition which will make intelligent handling of the tariff imperative if the facing is to be done successfully. We believe seven voters out of ten are sick of fake tariff for politics and want a tariff for business.

The Democratic bill proposes a commission of six members, not over half being of one political party, each to draw ten thousand dollars a year salary and to hold office for twelve years—except the chairman and vice-chairman—with a regular annual appropriation of three hundred thousand dollars. It proposes, in short, to set up a permanent branch of the Government.

The Republicans will continue the commission when their turn comes. In time it will take the tariff largely out of politics; in fact, the tariff is already taking itself out of politics.—Saturday Evening Post.

LIVELY FIGHT PROMISED.

Washington will see a lively fight the first week in May. The Conservation Congress, which is trying to mobilize the country's resources, will be in session then. How to take nitrogen from the air by means of water-power and make cheaper fertilizer for farmers and nitrates for explosives, is one of the big questions to be discussed. Clifford Pinchot, winner of the famous Ballinger-Pinchot controversy, of a few years ago, will be on one side and a lot of big men, who are trying to get something started in water-power development, will be on the other.

The last time this question came up in the Conservation Congress at Washington, Senators, Governors, scientists and other headliners nearly came to blows. The conservationists have engaged Col. John I. Martin, of St. Louis, who for twenty years has been sergeant-at-arms of the turbulent national Democratic conventions, to enforce order at the forthcoming meeting.

INITIATING RURAL CREDIT.

There is a determined move to hasten the initiation of a rural credit law. The sooner we have such a law, if wisely enacted, the better. The desirability of the law itself is hardly in dispute; but we might easily be made to realize that a poor law would be worse than no law at all. Hence the initiation of the measure should be undertaken with caution and circumspection.

With respect to this first step there is the caution of good counsel that it is an easy matter to overload the enabling act. For the establishment of any state system of rural credit that would be worth the while we must have constitutional amendment. We cannot otherwise make the state's credit available for the purpose. It is therefore necessary that the measure be submitted to the popular vote, and for obvious reasons, as safeguarding or insuring the purpose of the law, it is altogether desirable. But the enabling act should omit all unnecessary detail. It should leave the law in flexible condition as to the rounding out of its provisions. The enabling act should be so drawn that amendment may be readily effected. If experience shall teach us that amendment is desirable. In other words, aside from its fundamentals, the law should be so drawn for initiation that the legislature can amend to suit the need. Otherwise we might find to our cost that the law would be unwieldy and unsatisfactory.

The essentials of the initiative or the enabling act are:

Authority to issue state bonds, to use the state's credit for the purpose of procuring funds for rural credit purposes;

The designation of a constitutional administrative body, which the present state land board is not, to insure the continued and effective operation of the law;

Declaration of the purposes for which the proceeds of the state bonds would be available, and of the class of persons to whom the money would be loaned to the prevention of its misuse in land speculation;

Provision fixing the terms of payment by the borrower, which would embody the amortization feature;

Designation of the character of security upon which rural credit money should be loaned and the ratio of loan to security, with a limitation as to the amount to be loaned per acre;

Provision that rural credit earnings, if any, should not be diverted to existing state funds, nor so used as to create discriminating tax upon the farmers who should borrow the money and pay it back with interest.

All these provisions are fundamental, but aside from them are others necessary to furnish the machinery of administration. These latter are details that should be left to the legislature.

The matter herein suggested may be incorporated in an enabling act that will not cover one entire page of legal cap. They may be so incorporated as to present a brief, simple and effective law, that the voter can read.

Qualifications of GEO. A. BLEAKMAN For County Commissioner of Morrow County.

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ly understand, leaving it to the legislature to supply the administrative detail which will make the law work to the best advantage and leaving the door open for amendment as that may be found desirable or necessary.—Portland Telegram.

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Mrs. Leah Cook of Bellingham, Wash., arrived in the city last night to visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Minor.

County commissioner Lee Padberg came up from Ione yesterday to attend the regular session of county court.

Marshall Phelps, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Phelps, left Wednesday for Alaska, where he will spend the summer.