## MEDFORDMAILTRIBUNE

 USES HER WINGS TO CRAWL.
"She flies with her own wings" is the motto of Ore gon. But she doesn't. She crawls. Her wings are either
atrophied or else, like those of the bwoby, too small for use. But the worst of it is that Oregon not only doesn' fly herself, but refuses
out of the snail's pace.

Bound by the red tape of an obsolete constitution that effectually blocks progress and retards development and cursed by the reactionary ultra-conservatism of moss-
backs, Oregon alone among Pacific const states has "marked time" for years instead of marching forward She has hopelessly lagged behind her sister states in development. Richer than all in opportunity, she has not
had the courage and the enterprise to fulfill her destiny The great Willamette valley, which may be called the heart of Oregon, is the home of the mossback and the hot bed of provincialism. The atmosphere in the state's cap-
ital is openly hostile to innovation and progress. Hence we see every effort at reform blocked from this quarter
by men too narrow to realize the injury they are doing and its members think it is the sentiment of the state.
 all. Hence the snail pace in progress set by the Salem mossbacks is extremely irritatino to the balance of the
state-and loud and many are the protests. Hence the talk of secession.
The constitution, as interpreted by the supreme court,
forbids the state from building a highway to Crater Lake. It also forbids counties to issue bonds or go in debt, so that the county cannot buid it. How. then, is it to be built?
Are we of southern Oregon to sit idle and with the world's greatest natural won
A thousand times
and make the state We will build that highway yet and make the state bear its share, too. How to do it and club meeting Thursday evening.

## YOUR BROTHER'S KEEPER.

Cain, the murderer, pleaded that he was not his broth-
er's keeper.
The householder of Medford cannot advance the same plea regarding keeping his premises in a sanitary condi-

Whether or not you believe it;
-you are your brother's keeper
rehends the entime too, ity
door or the man on the far side of the city.
No Medford resident with a conscience can evade his ivic responsibility.
No man with a reasoning mind will try to evade his ivic responsibility.
For, quoting again liberally from the Bible-no man ives unto himself or dies unto himself
Your family may escape the death dealt by the earth closet in your own yard. There is no guarantee the ma next door, his wife or his children, will escape it.
Perfect sanitation, screened windows, closed garbage can, scrupulously selected food and lilk in your ow case may lure you into i
residents not so situated.
But the unsanitary home of that fellow resident not so fortunate as yourself may stretch the finger of death into yorturate as yourself may stretch the

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& \text { your own carefully guarded household. } \\
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had his original interview with the Grim Reaper
illy-tended, squalid seetion
That makes no difference to him: it does to you
His germ-laden and filthy feet track over your food, so religiously selected. Disease enters a tiny joint in th armor. Then it's the doctor, perhaps the undertaker Don't deceive yourself. Most decidedly, you are
Residents of A city her is your keepe
Residents of a city are like man and wife living i state that does not recognize divorce. For richer or $p$ er, in sickness or in health, under their own protest, gardless of their permission, then

It should bring a blush of
It should bring a blush of shame to the cheek of every consider an ordinance the city council has been forced to
The man who so neglects his civic responsibility is voluntarily menacing his own hearthstone.

The ladies of the Greater Medford club have taken
up the great and good work of civic sanitation.
It should be the pleasure as well as duty of every resident of Medford to unite with them on this move, based upon common sense.
Medford is bless
to keep her death rate low, and it lies within the powd to keep her death rate low, a
of her residents to keep it so.

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CORVALLIS, Or, Feb. 16.-At a
meeting of the Coraclisis Commeraial
club, Hon. W. M. Colvig. of Modford
said: "I am proud of and loyal to the
grand old state of Oregon. So proud
of being known as an Oregoninn and

From Death Bed, ${ }^{\circ} 0$ Pie and Coffee Is the Experience of Quincy, Cal. Man

## FIFTEEN DAYS WITHOUT FOOD

Nurse Says: "Taking Life in Your Own Hands, When Watken ox CAE
Mr. Mike Kasovitch Was Carried Out of Hos.
pital to Fer. Don's Medical Experts.

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