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UNFAIR DISCRIMINATION

SOMETHING like \$125,000 a year is paid by hunters and anglers of Oregon in license money for the protection and propagation of fish and game. This fund is administered under a state commission.

The recent legislature, in fulfillment of its policy of making all state offices political spoils, destroyed the old non-partisan commission and replaced it by a new commission to be named by the governor, of which the governor is a member. Outside of the provision that two of the members must come from east of the Cascade mountains, there are no restrictions upon the governor.

The governor has selected for members a Pendleton politician, over the protest of the hunters and anglers of eastern Oregon, one member of the old commission from Klamath Falls and two residents of Portland, one a salmon packer and the other a jobber. Outside of the unfair geographical distribution, the personnel of the commission should make it a good one.

At its first meeting, the commission elected W. L. Finley of Portland state biologist, R. E. Clanton of Portland state fish warden, both merited appointments, and at the request of the governor, A. H. Lea of Portland state game warden, whose qualification consists in being a personal friend of the governor. Southwestern Oregon, furnishing a quarter of the game fund, was entirely ignored and has no representation in fish and game administration.

The fact that this district was entitled to representation was admitted by the indorsement of a qualified Medford candidate by the State League of Sportsmen's Clubs, comprised of some ninety organizations, representing every county in the state, as well as numerous personal indorsements, but it is evidently the intention of the governor to deny those who provide the money for the game fund and whose activity alone preserved the fund for protection and propagation purposes, a voice in its administration.

Portland gets two game commissioners and the three salaried executives. Southwestern Oregon gets nothing. It is apparent that Governor Withcombe not only refuses to recognize the just demands of the sportsmen, but is unfairly discriminating against southwestern Oregon, a region that furnishes most of the real hunting and angling in the state.

INDUSTRIAL UNREST

THE answers to the Mail Tribune's editorial calling attention to economic and industrial conditions are amusing, as they do not touch the roots of the subject.

The causes of industrial unrest go back for half a century. This unrest is due to the increase of poverty with the increase of wealth. The process of creating the billionaire necessarily creates the pauper, and the pauperization of the people produces the unrest and stamps the present system a failure.

The effect of neglect of the masses and the fostering of the classes is shown in Great Britain, where the national vitality is ebbing. It was shown in France before the revolution. A few decades more and similar effects will be seen in the United States—are already in evidence in New England and the east, which are rapidly becoming decadent.

The bread line has been an established institution in New York and other eastern centers for a quarter century. Despite the expansion of industry, opportunity has steadily narrowed. It is a fundamental wrong that has to be righted, and no change of administration will bring a cure unless the cause is remedied—and political parties are careful to doctor the effect and leave the cause alone.

"Elect a republican president" and the sun of prosperity will shine, we are told. Same old bunco game. Elect a president pledged to the protection of privilege in order to remove evils caused by privilege will only increase the trouble.

Along in 1910 or thereabouts, when President Taft was asked the remedy for the steadily increasing unrest and how the idle were to be looked after, replied, "God knows."

Mr. Taft was far more honest than the average political partisan. The Vreeland-Aldrich tariff bill only increased the unrest, because it still further widened the gulf between privilege and the people. Any tariff bill would have the same effect. The political program of privilege holds no hope of a remedy—its sole aim is to prevent a cure.

War is oligarchy's time-honored and sole remedy for industrial unrest. When conditions become so intolerable that revolution threatens, war is declared, as is now the case in Europe, to thin the ranks of the producers and to perpetuate privilege in whatever form it exists. Anything rather than face and solve the real problems that confront humanity, and will cause privilege to lose its perquisites.

Conflict Between Capital and Labor

To the Editor:
 This is the title to an editorial in the Mail Tribune of the 26th Inst., followed the next day by "What Shall We Do?"

Now if the public will forgive me for the audacity of attempting to answer the Mail Tribune I will endeavor to give my views on said questions: While I have always known the editor was invested with certain indiscretions, which I realized he could not divest himself of I never knew before that he was the wildest socialist that his article shows him to be; but that is consistent with the policy of his party to cater to any and all irresponsible and undesirable elements to get votes to perpetuate them in power regardless of the interests of the people;

What is the conflict between labor and capital? None.
 Capital and labor should go hand in hand; one is indispensable to the other. Capital can do without labor, but labor cannot accomplish any-

thing without capital. Every well developed man has labor for sale when he has nothing more; he cannot sell it if there is no capital to buy it, and he should be free to sell it to whom he chooses and there should be industrial freedom which should be free to make its own terms between the employer and the employee and when he pays the price agreed upon between him and his employee his obligation is at an end. He takes his own risks of his success or failure; if he makes a profit it is his own; if he makes a failure he does not expect his employees to make good his losses.

He makes a market for those who have labor for sale, and that's what is the matter now. There are not enough industries in operation now to make a market for all the labor offered for sale. Why? Because industrial freedom has been choked out by the very element that is clamoring for a market for their labor. They have killed the goose that laid

SCENE FROM "DAYS OF FAMINE. PAGE, MONDAY AND TUESDAY



the golden egg. How? By putting into power the democratic party who have left no stone unturned to cater to irresponsible labor unions, by bull-baiting every industrial enterprise in the country by creating obnoxious commissions, business commissions who are ignorant of every business principal and have attempted to retard and hamper every industrial enterprise in the country, thereby having scared capital into hiding and no power or party can compel it to come out and invest under uncertain conditions. The result is that men who have labor for sale will go without a market until the present police change and such legislation is enacted as will make it safe for capital to start industries sufficient to employ all labor offered. The organized labor element has sown the wind and are now reaping the whirlwind. The Mail Tribune says:

"In Pennsylvania one hundred thousand miners are wandering over the country, foraging and begging for something to eat, and even eating the flesh of cats and dogs."
 "In Texas parents unable to support their children have tried to give them away."
 "Even in far-off Alaska, 1500 men are begging for work, and there is work for about 300."
 "In our own valley we daily meet with intelligent, manly young men, American born, asking the opportunity to work for something to eat. Often they are men who left wife and babies behind them, to get along the best they can, while the father tramps or beats his way to some place where he thinks he can market his labor."
 "As you look into the faces of these men you can but feel grieved and sad, that your brother is driven to this last desperate resort of a man out of work and money—begging."

I thought the editor too shrewd a man to display this product of the democratic party in this public manner. It reminds me of a saloon-keeper who would lay out a lot of drunks on the sidewalk in front of his place of business as products of his business.

J. S. HOWARD.
 Evangelistic Meetings
 The Medford Christian assembly is conducting extra evangelistic services each evening this week, except Saturday, at the assembly home, 636 West Fourth street. The public is

cordially invited. Meeting hour is 8 o'clock. Wednesday evening is Bible study class in the Book of Romans. Pastor C. E. Dodge is in charge of the services.
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LAUGHS

A Makeshift

A certain minister lost his manuscript one Sunday morning, so he spoke out thus:
 "I am very sorry, indeed, to have to inform you that I have—er—somehow or other, mislaid my sermon for this morning. I must—er—therefore trust to Providence for inspiration. Tonight I will come better prepared."

Queer!

"You might as well admit your guilt," said the detective. "The man whose house you broke into positively identifies you as the burglar."
 "That's funny," said the burglar.
 "What's funny?" asked the detective.

"How could he identify me when he had his head under the bedclothes all the time I was in his room?" asked the burglar.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Optimism Facts

The majority of men who borrow money return it.

There are more decent people in the world than all the other kinds combined.

The fact that dishonesty seems to prosper corrupts only the few.

If virtue were as unusual as vice it would get just as much publicity.—Detroit Free Press.

Pat's Enterprise

Two Irishmen were crossing the ocean on the way to America. On the voyage Pat died. Preparations were made for the burial at sea, but the lead weights customarily used in such cases were lost, and chunks of coal were substituted. Everything was finally ready for the last rites and long and earnestly did Michael look at his friend. Finally he blurted out, sorrowfully:
 "Well, Pat, I always knew ye were goin' there, but I'm hanged if I thought they'd make ye carry yer own coal!"

Baffling Case

"You'll have to quit smoking," said the physician.
 "I don't smoke."
 "Then you'll have to quit drinking."
 "I don't drink."
 "Haven't you any habits?"
 "None at all, except taking medicine."—Washington Star.

A Lump Sum

At a dinner table the other day someone quoted that delightful story of the usher who, reproved for announcing a family of, say, fourteen with all their Christian names separately and at length, while a string of people waited impatiently, grouped a Mr., Mrs. and Miss Penny into a laconic "Three Pence."

This led to the recital of another somewhat similar situation. The butler announced "Mr. Tootle." Then suddenly perceiving Mrs. Tootle, who had stepped aside for a moment, he further announced, "and Mrs. Tootle, too."

Doesn't Start

"My dear, everybody says young Staylate, who is courting our Jane, is a coming man."
 "Well, I would like him better if he were more of a going one."—Omaha Bee.

His Logic

"Say, Doc; what is the matter with my left foot?"
 "Old age, I believe."
 "How do you figure that? My right foot is perfectly sound and healthy, yet it's the same age as the left one."

Merciful

"So you don't go to school. Why not?"
 "Cause I'm very much opposed to child labor."

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