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EM-TEES

Lady—Is that a pedigreed dog Dealer—Pedigreed! Why, if that dog could talk he wouldn't speak to either of us!

A good story is told of a sporting gentleman who entered a restaurant and ordered a chicken.

The chicken was evidently tough, for when the waiter came in he beheld the gentleman in a great state of wrath.

"Waiter," he said, "this chicken is very tough."

"Very sorry, sir. That chicken was always a peculiar bird. Why, when we came to kill it we couldn't catch it, so at last we had to shoot it. It flew on the house tops, and—"

"Ah, by jove, that accounts for it. You must have shot the weathercock by mistake."

The woman of the hour is one who says she will be ready in a minute.

Are You Jealous.

Mr. P. G. Roberson has been seen of late going in the direction of Mr. J. R. Whittlow's. What does this mean Miss Dalay?—The Stuart (Vo.) Enterprise.

The Pleading Chap.

"Why do you turn, O summer girl, The end of the novel to see?"
"Why, don't know," she gently said,
"It's the last chap pleases me."

She was from Boston; he from Oklahoma. "You have traveled a great deal in the west, have you not, Miss Bacon?"

"Oh, yes, indeed—in California and Arizona and even in New Mexico."
"And did you ever see the Cherokee Strip?"

There was a painful silence, but finally she looked over her glasses at him and said: "Sir, I deem your question exceedingly rude."

COMMITTEE OF ALLIANCE NAMED BY CHAIRMAN

The following committees were appointed Wednesday evening by Mrs. Ralph Woodford, chairman of the Medford Hughes Alliance:

Executive—Mrs. F. E. Merrick, Mrs. H. E. Platt, Mrs. M. L. Alford, Treve Lumsden.

Decorations—Mrs. O. C. Boggs, chairman, Mrs. S. S. Smith, Mrs. Walter Mundy, Herbert Alford, Tom Osgood.

Membership—Mrs. Jan Andrews, chairman, Mrs. John Olmstead, Mrs. Geo. Collins, Mrs. W. W. Howard, J. W. Bates, Mrs. Lydia Howell, Mrs. Fred Colvig, Lewis Warner, C. E. Gates, A. C. Hubbard, C. I. Hutchinson.

Music—Mrs. Lincoln McCormack, chairman, Mrs. Gus Newbury, Mrs. Bert Thierolf, Mrs. Bert Anderson, Mrs. Harry Stockman.

Publicity and Speakers—Fred Mears, chairman, Mrs. Delroy Getchell, R. W. Ruhl, C. D. Hoon, Geo. E. Boos, Mrs. Elmer Wilson.

Will G. Steel's name was placed upon the committees without his knowledge or consent, and he states that he has nothing to do with the Hughes alliance.

D. A. C. HENS LEAD AS EGG LAYERS

CORVALLIS, Ore., Sept. 22.—For the third consecutive week the pen of ten hens entered by the Oregon agricultural college in the Etierra, Conn., egg laying contest led all their competitors and also climbed to fifth place for the entire 45 weeks of the competition, according to the advices received here today.

Correction

Through a typographical error in the report of the county expenditures printed yesterday, the amount paid W. C. Leever for viewing roads read \$1200, instead of \$10, as it should have read.

INJECTING THE RELIGIOUS ISSUE

AN attempt is being made by local members of the Hughes Alliance to inject the religious issue in the political campaign. Because President Wilson did not declare war against Mexico, Roman Catholics are being urged to vote for Hughes on account of the destruction of church property and of outrages perpetrated by Mexican revolutionists during the period of anarchy through which that much troubled nation has passed. The inference is that Hughes, if president, would have used the army and navy of the United States to avenge the wrongs of a foreign church—though Mr. Hughes has never said what would have been his policy.

In the effort to profit by arousing religious prejudice, the local Hughes alliance is evidently following a plan advocated by the republican national committee, which, under the direction of Everett Colby, former progressive state senator of New Jersey, and now an active member of the G. O. P. national committee, is having prepared a moving picture scenario, entitled, "Watchful Waiting," for exhibition throughout the country, bringing the religious issue into the campaign.

This photoplay, filmed on Long Island, is pronounced by Mr. Colby "a corker"—an attack upon the president of the United States unique in conception and amazing in its development. One of its chief scenes shows a group of Catholic nuns fleeing in terror from a band of Villistas before a convent in Mexico. They are overtaken, seized by Mexican bandits, disrobed and dragged into the underbrush, screaming and protesting. Instantly there is flashed on the screen a picture showing President Woodrow Wilson at his desk in Washington, his head resting on his arm—asleep.

The National Hughes alliance, carrying out the policy of injecting the religious issue, has sent out from its New York office a circular letter signed by Mrs. Noble McConnell, "group chairman," to Catholic women, which reads in part as follows:

"Do you know what the election of Charles Evans Hughes means to this country? It means, first of all, protection to our people—particularly in Mexico. Stop to think a minute of the horrors perpetrated there, while Mr. Wilson does the watchful waiting act, the diplomatic letter act and all the other disgusting acts, while we sit helpless and appalled at the atrocities taking place there.

"And when you think of the outrages committed in the convents—no matter what your belief is—your blood must run cold at the thought of what those women whose lives are dedicated to Almighty God suffered and are suffering. One cannot think of this phase of it without being utterly disgusted with the present administration."

The religious issue is a two-edged sword that cuts both ways. It has no business in politics. Once before it was injected into a national campaign and it defeated James G. Blaine, whose partisans raised it.

But it is "anything to beat Wilson."

IS HUGHES A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE?

ONE scans Candidate Hughes' speeches long and wearily before he finds any reference to the republican platform. He is as garrulous and boastful as an octogenarian about what he stands for, believes in and what the president should not have done. But on the record of the party that nominated him, or the future program of that party he is hopelessly dumb.

On the coast tour, about the only mention he made of the grand old republican party was in California, where, in an effort to snub the progressives, he announced that he was the "exclusive republican candidate."

On his return trip the egotistical twaddle of generalities continued in the same key, but of what the republican party stood for or would do he gave not an inkling.

There are several explanations of his conduct. It may be that he is trying to ape Teddy. Perhaps he is ashamed of the republican party. Or he may be one of the egotists that feel they are above all men. Again, he may consider himself more the candidate of Wall street than of any party.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor: With your permission through the columns of your paper, I would like to make the following statement to the people of Medford regarding the "other side" of the Paving Problem, which has recently been made the subject of editorial comment in the Medford Sun.

First, I wish to remind the people interested in this vital question that the two leading Medford papers one year ago, when the Medynski plan of rebonding was to be voted upon, stated that if this plan was rejected at the polls the property owners would come in and pay these so-called special assessments and also that the city council would bring suit upon the writer and also that the council would submit a "better plan" than the one referred to above.

Now kind reader was these prophecies fulfilled? Ans. No they were not.

Now what are the reasons that their prophecies did not come true? They were all absurd. The people of Medford don't as individuals owe these so-called assessments and past records shows they will not pay them as such, as every one knows that as the paving is a public necessity and a strictly public benefit and laid exclusively on the Public's property and it is not in any way a private improvement, or has any private individual any special benefit from the fact that Medford is paved. The Council knows this and so do all thinking property owners both men and women, and the Council or a majority of them does not feel like plunging an already financially embarrassed City and its

of this paving debt, and a debt to its Citizens for money advanced on an illegal transaction is as just a debt as are the so-called Bancroft Bonds that are still unredeemed and are held principally by the Cleveland Bank. Now if the Sun is so concerned about the Cities Financial condition why the arduous campaign in favor of the \$300,000.00 gift to Mr. Bullis? I think the Mail Tribune's Editorial in a recent issue covered the ground when it's sole editor said "Medford was saved" Saved by Bonds" No as a subscriber to both papers a tax payer and Citizen of Medford, owning property both on and off the pavement I think it is time to lay aside personalities and little personal opinions and avoid "peanut politics" and settle this problem in a business like way. If Mr. Medynski's plan was right which everybody says is the case, for God's sake give him the credit openly and lets adopt the plan and make a clean breast of this affair and straighten this illegal business out by starting over anew, and if the present non-business-like condition that this City is in, is ideal I think that in a very short time that the seats now occupied by our honorable City Council will be replaced by a receivers chair, occupied by a business man, then this issue will be settled in a business like way and that will be the way Mr. Medynski proposed as it's the only solution that will stand the acid test of public opinion and the Courts. I am for a business administration by the taxpayers and for the taxpayers even if it leads to the appointment of a Receiver for our City to obtain this end.

EARL H. FEHL.

W. H. Eccles of Salt Lake is in Medford on business connected with the sugar beet industry.

DRY CANDIDATES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 22.—With J. Frank Hanly pleading for strict enforcement of the Monroe doctrine particularly, and Dr. Ira Landrith fighting the battle of the state "dry," the prohibition coast to coast special today started on a tour of nine southern California cities for the first day's California trip.

"The prohibition party believes in the Monroe doctrine," Hanly said at Anaheim. "This new world is the heritage of free men and free women, and this nation, in a peculiar sense, is the trustee of that great right on behalf of every nation in all the new world. We drove kinkraft out of this continent, drove it beyond the seas. We do not mean that it shall ever return."

The special will leave here late tonight for a three days' trip through Arizona.



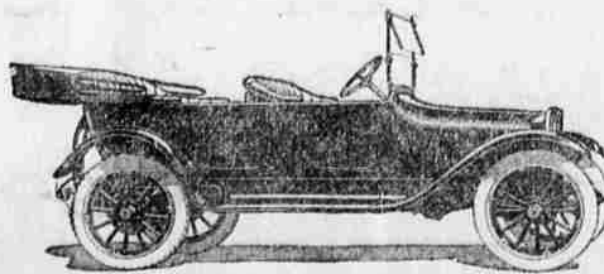
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