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Ye Smudge Pot

The legislative agency was originally scheduled to end tonight, but will be prolonged a spell to permit all hands making a speech, and introducing a fool bill, or two.

"Irish Republicans Wreck Train"—(Hillie Portland Oregonian). Does anybody know what the Irish Democrats are doing?

A continuation of the present batch of weather will compel the farmers to quit being robbed and go to plowing.

A KITCHEN SWEAT SCANDAL (Roseburg Review) The Friday night dances here have deteriorated badly lately. It would seem that there must be a good deal of moonshine whisky which flows rather freely at these affairs. We need some more Hop-kisses in this county.

There is a shortage of vegetables in the local market, largely due to the forthcoming Elks minstrel show. There are a few more seats, but no more cabbage.

Return legislation always provides for plenty of help. For instance, the movie censor bill provides for a commission that draws no pay, and any number of viewers, who get from \$1 to \$2 per foot per film. This is a hard job and requires specially trained reformers.

The appointment of Senator George Chamberlain as a member of the shipping board is by no means painful to the majority of Oregon people. His defeat last November, accomplished nothing, except to please Secretary of War Baker, and a disgruntled Portland democrat, who lost his federal job.

There have been 16 postoffice hold-ups in six weeks. Robbing the mails will soon be as safe as bootlegging.

Spring is here. The birds are mating, and a lot of humans are making arrangements to follow suit.

MAKING IT SURE (Salem Statesman) A double wedding took place in Shaw Wednesday night, which united in marriage Miss Alma F. Larson and Jacob F. Young.

The gold, silver, lead, tin, zinc, chrome, manganese, coal, copper, diamond, and radium mines of Mike Womack, not to mention his extensive oil holdings, and a marble quarry were augmented Friday by the discovery of a platinum mine.

The congressional investigation into the escape of Staekler Bergdoll proved nothing except that Mr. Bergdoll and his \$100,000 both got away—in different directions.

While Henry Ford is making cowless milk, he might do something more and take the weight out of the butcher's hand.

"Spring Styles Bring Smiles"—(Ad Portland Journal). Accurately speaking, there is more gawking than smiling.

A lady afloat in a life and death race to a social function Fri. pm, narrowly averted fulfilling the well known prophecy, that somebody will get killed at the Main Stem crossing.

London papers predict that "war between the United States and Japan is inevitable." The above-mentioned war would be an awful shock to England, and all Europe for that matter, as it would not do a thing to their million plants.

The chief of the prohibition enforcement forces has called upon the "women of the land to use their moral influence to halt all violations," and as soon as the hootch dispensers hear of this they will start throwing their boots away, let them fall where they may.

THE LAST IS ALWAYS THE WORST, BUT IT ISN'T

"IF THERE IS a good law the present legislature hasn't killed and a bad law it hasn't passed, we have yet to discover it." Thus remarked an up-state paper, at the close of a legislative session ten years ago.

That expression finds prompt echo at the close of every legislative session. Nevertheless, it wasn't literally true, ten years ago, and it isn't literally true today. There are no 100 per cent legislatures—good or bad. Each legislature is astonishingly like its predecessor. They are all depressingly average.

And they will continue to be average, mixing the good and the bad, the wise and the foolish, always concluding with a jam of confused congestion as long as the present system continues. And the key-stone of the present system is not the form of administration, which Heaven knows is antiquated enough, but the prevailing indifference and lethargy of the public.

The people, as a whole, take no interest in the legislature,—neither in the men they send to it, nor their conduct when they get there. Only a small minority show any activity, and that minority only when there is some selfish interest to serve. As a result, the legislature is entirely surrounded by lobbyists, professional, well-fed and well-paid, while the public is far away and quiescent.

Efficiency under such circumstances is impossible. The majority of the legislature are honest and capable men, sincerely anxious to do what they believe to be for the best interests of the state; but the confusion is so great, the conflict of petty interests so intense, that they soon tire out, merely try to please the most vociferous of their constituents, bargain-trade, play poker, play horse, talk if they have the gift of gab, keep still if they haven't,—and finally return to their homes and real vocations, jolly glad to be out of it, and marvelling that the results are not entirely disastrous.

Youthful reformers would change all this. They would create a legislative body of disinterested and efficient experts, men above petty pride and local interest, men impervious to clamour and buncome men with a broad view of state welfare, and a knowledge of constructive reform,—a system which in one year would save the people of the state perhaps a million dollars.

Those sweet dreams of youth! How sound and rational they are, how true they are, and yet, as a practical matter, how impossible they are.

The grim truth is the people as a whole get just what they want, and want just what they get. In a vague way they are dissatisfied perhaps, but when it comes to radical action, to the breaking of the time honored habit of laissez faire,—there is nothing doing, and there is no immediate prospect of anything doing.

Until some tragedy occurs some devastating scandal, to wake the people up, as they were awakened here in Oregon, and the country at large, two decades ago, the condition of dead calm will continue. So don't blame the legislature. The legislature is just as good as you,—and you,—and you deserve it.



Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason

OUR THOUGHTFUL president-elect has wisdom in him by the mile; he doesn't think it quite correct, in times like these to put on style. And when to Washington he goes to cinch the presidential chair, he wants no costly furbelows, no bustling swishing in the air. "Cut out the pomp," says Warren G. "to all vain fuss attach the can; simplicity looks good to me, for I'm a common, corn-fed man. At Marion, where I abide, I do not travel on a float, or in a circus wagon ride, when I go forth to seek my goat. I am no Caesar, I'm no king. I do not head a captive train, and I won't ride around, by jing, upon a gaudy, gilded wain. I do not hail with snobbish glee the plans that hint of pomp and state; my flyver's good enough for me—three cylinders are hitting great. To Washington oftsoons I'll track, and march along the storied street, a gingham shirt upon my back, old fashioned gaiters on my feet. I'll wear my long jinswinger coat, the same I wore when I was wed; I will not ride upon a float, or have punk garlands on my head." And over all the smiling land the voters say, "He's safe and sane! His sentiments are fine and grand! There are no cinchbugs in his brain!" For what the country wants and needs is thrift in every form and guise; economy! The nation pleads for that with wet and woozy eyes.

How Much Do You Know?

- 1—What metal is fluid when not heated?
2—What animal is reddish brown in summer and white in winter?
3—What parts of the tongue are most sensitive to taste?
4—What is "gun-cotton"?
5—What is the work of white corpuscles in the blood?
6—From what is starch for commercial purposes made?
7—What language is called the "polite language"?
8—What English poet was given by Queen Elizabeth a grant of 20,000,000 acres of land in America?
9—How long has Buddhism existed?
10—What Roman god was it whose temple was open only in time of war?

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