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KILL IT

We are told that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, and the truth of this statement is verified by an innocent appearing bill which has recently made its appearance in the legislature. This bill is the so-called Mills bill to change the direct primary. Under the present primary system the Multnomah county politician has been completely weaned. He can no longer control nominations, hence his power is gone and he is out of business. So now comes A. L. Mills, a fine man and the head of the bankers class of the state as the figurehead, while sitting behind as the attorney is J. Bowerman, who led the hosts in the 1910 attempt to fasten the assembly upon us and thereby destroy the primary. This new attempt is cunningly put and fine in its appearance of simplicity, but is a wolf in sheep's clothing. The joker that is covered up so that it will not be evident is to discard all the primary candidates save those who have received 40 per cent of the vote in the primary. This means that no candidate will be able to receive such a per cent if the powers that want to control desire otherwise. Commenting on this provision of the bill the Oregon Journal of January 6 said:

"They are practical gentlemen. They will know exactly how to throw the nominations into conventions. They will do it by making it impossible for anybody to have 40 per cent of

the votes in the primary. Nothing could be easier and more to the liking of the fixers. They will bring out a multiplicity of candidates in the primary. A labor candidate, a farmer candidate, a patriot candidate, a patriotic societies candidate, a wet candidate, a dry candidate, a business men's candidate and as many more as may be necessary to prevent any man getting the 40 per cent and then have a controlled convention that will do the will of the huns of Portland while they milk the state dry."

This states the situation complete. If the primary law is to be modified it should be done by its friends and not its enemies.

The state legislature, incited no doubt by misguided zealots, is having a session of that popular indoor sport known as "Beating the devil around the bush." A bill has been introduced making it legal for school children to leave their classes during school hours to study the Bible. Having failed to introduce the study of the Bible into the schools, aforesaid zealots are attempting to gain by circumlocution what they failed to accomplish by direct action.

Science vs. Religion.

(By Dr. Joseph A. Leighton)

The modern scientific conception of nature and man is incompatible with every single item in the traditionalist scheme, from the six-day creation to the last judgment and the commitment of men to eternal damnation or eternal bliss. . . . This system is an imposing edifice, but either modern science is false through and through or the traditional system is irremediable ruin. It is time to stop trying to patch up the old ruin and build a new mansion in which our spirits may dwell in freedom, light and power. . . .

Let us stop equivocating and face the facts and ask ourselves what is left in the way of a spiritual world view when we have faced the music and admitted that traditionalism has gone by the boards.

There is no sudden creation by a cosmic artificer no fall of man from innocence, no extra mundane deity miraculously intervening once in a while, no spatial and literal heaven and hell. No damnation at the hands of an offended creator who, being omnipotent, might have made man able to avoid sin, but chose in his inscrutable caprice to make man so weak that he must fall and then punish him through eternity for falling. Such are the negative conclusions from the scientific point of view.

Owyhee

Mrs. William Schweizer, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Holy Rosary hospital in Ontario, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Walters of Oregon Trail district visited at the Evans home Thursday. Mrs. Walters came up to attend the meeting of the O. K. K. of which she is a member.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Degode and son John were dinner guests at the Evans home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Boy came down from their home up the river Saturday. Mr. Loy going to town while Mrs. Loy stopped for a visit with Mrs. William Snyder at Mitchell Butte.

George Kaylor recently purchased a bunch of feeder cattle from Loren Gurrell and also from Mr. Dunsen near Nyssa.

William Jr., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Penta, has been quite ill for several days.

Mrs. Claude Smith and daughter Vivian returned last Monday from a three weeks visit with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Wisner, of The Dalles.

Pupils neither absent nor tardy from school during the past month were: In Mr. MacLafferty's room, Miss Georgia Rust. In Mrs. Hite's room, Chester and Arthur Snyder.

At New Year's time the pupils of the school were treated to candy and cookies by Mrs. Thomas M. Lowe, in remembrance of her daughter Marian, who received her education in the grades at Owyhee schools and is now a teacher in the high school at Waitsburg, Wash., her husband being principal there.

The telephone lineman was in Owyhee Saturday trying to put the line, which has been bethering for some time, in better shape.

Doe Evans was a business visitor in Wilder, where he has been loading corn, Saturday.

Mrs. J. S. Pinkston, who was quite ill a short time ago, is convalescing very slowly.

Geo Glascock purchased a pony, for his little girls to ride to school, from H Walters. Dave Walters brought it up Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. DeBord and daughter Veri were business visitors in Payette Friday.

The O. K. K. held its annual election of officers at the first meeting of the year, held in the Evans home on Thursday, January 18. Officers chosen for the coming year were: Pres., Mrs. Martha Klingback; Vice Pres., Mrs. Dorothy Evans; Sec. Treas., Mrs. Zada DeBord. Following the business meeting delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, after which all adjourned to meet with Mrs. Emma Feutz on February 19.

Fred Klingback hauled a load of hogs to Adrian Monday, for himself and Mr. Lowe, for shipment to Portland by Frank Miller of the Bend.

Quite a number of Owyhee citizens attended the DeBoer sale Wednesday.

Messrs. Hod and Nelson Kels, representing the "Followers of Christ," will hold a series of evangelistic services at the school house, beginning Monday evening. Messrs. Kels were entertained in the Lowe home Monday.

Mrs. M. M. Greebling of the Koleny visited Mrs. Lowe Wednesday while Mr. Greebling attended the DeBoer sale.

Mrs. John Hite and Miss Wanda Hite called at Nyssa Thursday.

The annual ice harvest is about finished. The ice has been unusually good and thick this year, owing to the long continued cold spell.

Boy Hurt

While coasting last Saturday on the hill across the bridge Ivan Rail, a seven year old boy, had the misfortune to be badly injured in a collision with another sled. The boy suffered a badly broken leg and other minor injuries. Dr. Sarasin reduced the fracture and afterwards took the patient to the Ontario hospital, where he will remain until he regains the use of the injured member.

Experts to Assist

Portland, Or., Jan. 24.—During the six weeks beginning February 2 and ending March 14, experienced deputies from the office of Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue, will visit the principal cities and towns of the state for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in the preparation of their federal income tax returns for the year 1924. This assistance is given gratuitously by Collector Huntley's deputies, and taxpayers are urged to avail themselves of the service. When calling upon these deputies, taxpayers are requested to bring with them the income tax blank forms they will have received through the mail. In Malheur county the deputies will visit Vale on February 9 and 10; Ontario, February 11 14; Juntura, February 6 7.

Good seed corn, if not hand picked last fall, is selected by successful Oregon growers and tested for germination sometime in February. Germinating 200 kernels from 200 ears taken at random is the plan of the experiment station. Unless 90 per cent or more of these kernels make good growth it will pay the grower as much as a dollar an hour to make an ear by ear test of all ears from which he expects to plant seed.

Hay stored in summer gained several pounds per bale at the experiment station, reaching the greatest weight in February or March. Taking up moisture from the air is what gives it a heavier mid-winter than mid-summer weight. It tends to go back to its first weight the following summer.

Red and alsike clover planting is usually best done the latter part of February in Oregon, the experiment station finds. They are sown on fall grain where the light freezing and thawing, or rains, generally cover the seed. The clover seed business demands pure seed, especially free from buckthorn. Seed samples will be tested free by the experiment and federal seed laboratory at Corvallis, to help the farmer be sure that his seed is good.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Vale, Oregon, January 21, 1925.

Notice is hereby given that Vicente Mendiola of Nyssa, Oregon, who, on February 2, 1924, made desert land entry No. 07832, for Lot 4, Section 18, Township 21 South, Range 46 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, U. S. Land Office, at Vale Oregon, on the 3rd day of March, 1925.

Claimant names as witnesses: T. M. Lowe, Fred Klingback, both of Nyssa, Oregon; Ed TenHave, Fred Sntveley, both of Adrian, Oregon. Geo. W. McKnight, Register.



CHRISTOPHER C. THURBER

"All I ask of the American people is that they will send me right back into the midst of it all again. I want to be out in Greece taking the motherless children out of the leaky, desolate camps and placing them in homes of comfort," says Christopher C. Thurber, who is spending the early weeks of December in Oregon and Washington as speaker for Golden Rule Sunday, December 7th.

During his five years in Turkey, Thurber lived through more experiences than would come to the average person in as many life-times. He was imprisoned by the Turks for four months because he would not pay his income tax—a tax larger than his whole income.

One night, while alone in his office he was suddenly summoned to the Turkish headquarters, where without ceremony or explanation, he was beaten into insensibility. The soles of his feet were mashed to a pulp, his ribs crushed, and his face was almost unrecognizable, when, after a night of insensibility he was found the next morning by the other Americans.

Later, while taking children from the bodies of their dead mothers, an infected louse crawled from the body of a child to Thurber's body, and for days he was delirious with typhus.

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ESTRAY

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THE money secured from the sale of Preferred Stock of the Idaho Power Company during recent months has been sufficient to adequately provide for the construction expenditures for the greater part of 1925.

As a result of this favorable condition no new Preferred Stock will be issued after February first—until further notice.

The Company's Resale Department will be maintained for the benefit of stockholders who may want to dispose of their shares.

Application for preferred Stock on our cash payment plan will be accepted only with the understanding that orders are to be filled in relation as stock is turned to the company for resale or when new stock is available.

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