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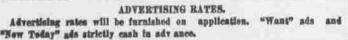
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HE OREGONIAN editorially crit pose that august body. At the same appropriation or on some other bills. time, and at the risk of being properly squelched for so doing, we humbly beg had not been invoked? Would the state to be permitted to point out or suggest of Oregon hold an election on the first to the Oregonian editors that their ar- Tuesday after the first Monday in Nogument is based on false premises, and vember, 1913? If not, why not? True, henc their conclusions are false. They there would be nothing to vote upon did not take the time or trouble to but the election is called in so many examine the law, as common, small words for the date, regardless of refercountry editors are compelled to do, endums or anything else. It is so clear else the editorial alluded to had not ly unconstitutional that extended com

The constitution of the state of Ore- We feel that we are butting in where gon, Section 21, Art I, says: "No ex a self-respecting angel would fear to post facto law, or law impairing the tread, the Oregonian's editorial sancobligations of contracts, shall ever be tum, and that we are risking our repupassed, nor shall any law be passed tation here and our soul's ultimate salthe taking of effect of which shall be vation in daring to criticize an editormade to depend upon any authority ial generated in the Oregonian's think except as provided in this constitu- tanks, and request their serene high-

sions applicable to the matter.

Does the special election called by comprehension. the legislature or attempted to be so called, comply with these requirements of the constitution? Let us see.

Chapter 321 of the Session Laws of 1913 contains the law calling, or attempting to call this special election, Section I of that law reads:

Sec. 1-41 There shall be hold a spe-

vember. That is all.

voted upon or not, and in case any of manity, into dollars and cents and addthe nets of the 27th legislative assem- ing the unboly proceeds of this enforced bly have the referndum invoked, they toil, of this robbery of youth, this City alone. shall be submitted to the people at this money wet with tears, soiled with election. The legislature undoubtedly sweat, tainted with vice and damned the refendim was invoked to be voted lions. "Nor shall any law be passed, the tak- her to pass judgment on working girls ing effect of which shall be made to or conditions. She will spend more for

GALLOWAY DECISION CORRECT. depend upon any authority, except as provided in this constitution.

The taking effect of this law if it icines Judge Galloway's decision was possible for it to take effect at in the referendum case decided all, is made to depend upon a continby him Saturday, and says it gency. That contingency was and is cannot follow his reasoning. Of the invoking of the refendam on any course it is presumptious on the part measures passed by the 27th Legislative of any one not on the editorial staff Assembly. It would depend upon wheof the Oregonian to have an opinion at ther or not Parkinson or some one else variance with that of those who com- worked up a referendum on the U. of O.

Suppose, for instance, the referendum

nesses to let us down to earth as easily Then again, in Section 1, Article 4, as possible and not kick us after we which concerns the legislative depart- are down. We make the suggestions ment, it says: "All elections on meas contained herein in a contrite spirit, ures referred to the people of the state yet we cannot help but feel that, while shall be had at the biennial regular the gray matter in the Oregonian towelections, except when the Legislative et can settle the authenticity of chap-Assembly shall order a special electiers of the Bible, divide atoms, and stand the law of gravitation on its So much for the constitutional provi- head, that the acts of the Oregon legislature are beyond even its profound

MISS MORGAN AND HER CLASS.

P. MORGAN, besides leaving a fortune of some bundreds of millions of dollars, also left a daughter. Not only did he leave a daughter, but he left one with cial election i athe several voting pre- all his contempt for the poor, and with cincts of this state on the first Tuesday the inherited, rivited and clinched beafter the first Monday in November, lief that plutocracy had a right to plun-That is all there is to it as far as millions, to fix wages at a point where taken his proper place in the musical calling the special election is concerned. bare existence is possible, and to take No purpose is stated for which it is all surplus earnings as their legitimate called, yet the constitution says special profits. This young lady had herself of the hardships of travel. elections can be called only for a spe- interviewed recently, and gave the cified purpose. The law says a special world the wisdom she has accumulated election shall be held on the first Tues- in her 26 sorrow-laden and strenuous day in November. There is no state years. In this interview she says the States senator at the time of his elecment what for. It provides for an girls themselves are disgusted with the election whether there is anything to assumption that low wages drive girls be voted on or not. It just says there to vice and immorality, and "that noth he has bectured. His chautingua enshall be an election held on the first ing could be finer than their repudia-Tuesday after the first Monday in No-tion of the suggestion of the Chicago vice commission that a girl needs \$8 The law then provides that: "All a week to remain moral," As a matter measures passed by the 27th Legislative of fact, the Chicago vice commission be his most popular lecture. Assembly of the state of Oregon, upon said nothing of the kind, nothing from which the referendum may be invoked, which such an inference could be shall be submitted to the people for drawn. It did say, in effect, that if their approval or rejection at such specthe American people want their girls attraction offered in America today. to grow up with the character and mor- Mr. Chapin presents "Abraham Lin-The only construction that can be ality of true womanhood as their priceplaced upon the law, if indeed it re-less possession, it must stop the Mr. Chapin uses proper wigs and cosquires any, is that the legislature has damnable custom of commercializing called a special election in November childhood and girlhood, coining the the Great Emancipator. This is said to next, whether there is anything to be budding and blossoming years of hu-

intended to call this election for the with sorrow, woe and suffering, vice purpose of permitting any bills on which and immorality to their unneeded milupon then, but it did not do it. In fact, Miss Morgan, with millions, who has it could not do it, for the simple real never known a want or desire that monson the constitution clearly forbids it ey could procure, is not in possession in Sec. 21, Article 1, where it says: of the evidence and facts to entitle

nose, than she fixes as the amount upon which working girls should exist for a month. True, she does not fix the exnet amount. She evades that by saying they should be paid enough to allow them to live. If they can get along on \$4 a week, that is all they should be paid ;if \$6 or \$7 a week is absolutely needed for their existence, she would generously allow them that munificent wage. As a matetr of fact, thousands of girls are working for their board and clothes, with no hope of bettering their oudition. The white slaves of compercialism are immeasurably worse off than the black slaves of 60 years ago. They had board and clothing, were procided with shelter, had a doctor's services at their owners' expense. Then, too, they were out in God's free air, where they saw the sun, the flowers, the beauty of nature's handiwork. They were not cooped up during their working hours in prisons of stone and mortar, and in the miserable little rooms they called home, surrounded by senseless stones and pulseless mortar, as cold as heartless, as unpitying as the misguided men for whom they toiled. And here let us say that the men for whom these girls give the years of their youth are not so much to blame as we. the great American people, who are moved by greed to get everything at the lowest possible price. We force the merchants' hands, or some of them; and while some of the big corporations grind down their employes unmercifully, the smaller merchants do, probably, about the best circumstances will permit. In the interview granted by Miss Morgan she has demonstrated only the ideas she, and such as she, have of and con-

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Of great interest to all is the coming of Bea Chapin. From an educational standpoint, this is the best chautauqua coln" as he was. In order to do this, tume until he makes himself look like be the most sought-for attraction in America today. Mr. Chapin has given "Lincoln" 450 t'mes in New York

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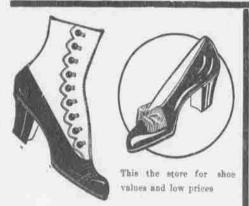
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