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A WISE AND JUST LAW.

THE FATE of the workmen's compensation bill will be decided tomorrow. That bill will pass we firmly believe, just as we believe it should pass. It is a wise law and is intended to protect the injured workman and his family, to bring him instant relief when he is injured and to provide for the care of his family as well as himself during his enforced idleness. It also provides payment if the workman is permanently injured, and provides it in a manner that prevents ambulance-chasing attorneys, insurance-grafters and loan-sharks getting the larger part of it. Under present conditions when a workman is hurt, if he has nothing laid by, he is up against it. His doctor bills, grocery bills, rent and everything of that kind piles up on him and his credit is soon exhausted. He becomes a victim of all who care to prey on him. His necessities compel him to accept any kind of a settlement, generally totally out of proportion to the injuries he has received, for the worse he is hurt the more dependent he becomes and the closer terms those responsible to him can make with him. His misfortunes compel him to settle, and if by chance he can manage to get along long enough to bring suit to recover what he thinks he should have as compensation for his injuries, his lawyer generally makes a bargain with him in advance by which he gets as much if not more out of what is finally recovered than does the injured one. If he does not settle on terms satisfactory to those he has sued, they, having money, take the case up on appeal and keep him out of his money so long that in self-protection and to take care of his family he is, at last worn out, forced to take what he can get.

The idea of the law is to have the workman protected by the state from all this. The means for paying the bills are provided partly by the state, partly by the employer and partly by the workman. The workman pays one-half of one per cent of his wages as his pro rata, the employer pays six times as much as the workman, and the state pays one-seventh as much as the workman and employer combined. I will be seen that the employer puts up the principal portion of the money, and for this he is protected from all suits for damages. A workman receiving \$100 a month would pay 50 cents a month, and this is a surety small amount to insure him and his against what in case of accident depriving him of the ability to labor.

It is optional with the workman whether he takes advantage of the law. If he does, he gets the benefits of it; if he does not, he is left just as he is now, a subject for exploitation by the insurance companies and the shysters.

In his connection the East-Oregonian, always fair, and always an advocate of the workman's best interests, says:

"Under the terms of the bill if a workman is killed his widow gets \$30 per month for life or until she remarries. If she has children she receives an additional \$6 for each child with the provision no widow shall receive more than \$60 per month. The act also provides a full schedule of benefits for other injuries of varied character and provides compensation for those dependent upon the worker in the event he is not a married man.

"The chief point of advantage about the bill is that it provides automatic compensation in the event a worker is injured or killed. The unfortunate man or his widow is not forced into a lawsuit and forced to divide the damages with a lawyer. Another good point about the plan is that industrial insurance is provided at cost prices and there is such a system of exemptions that the premiums paid in time become adjusted according to the element of danger in the various industries.

"The compensation law is fairly and carefully drawn and is one of the most progressive and beneficial laws ever proposed in Oregon. It was enacted by the last legislature with the support of many substantial and broad-minded employers as well as by workmen. In appearance the law is a working-man's measure, but it is also an employer's measure because the employer as well as the worker is the victim of the damage suit lawyer and the liability company.

"What forces brought about the holding up of the compensation law under the referendum has never been disclosed. There is every reason for believing that the move was the work of liability insurance men or ambulance-chasing attorneys who do not wish to be deprived of their present fat opportunities for profit. There is no sound reason why any worker should oppose the bill since the bill is not compulsory in its provisions and no one need take advantage of the law if he does not wish to do so.

"If the compensation measure is voted down, the people of Oregon will reject a measure that is sensible and just and is for the protection of injured workers and for the wives and families of men who became injured or killed. If the law is rejected the beneficiaries by such action will be the private liability insurance companies and lawyers who take damage suits on such a basis they get the apple and give the injured workman or his widow the peeling and the core.

"Vote 305 Yes on the workman's compensation bill. It is a fair and sensible bill and stands for humanity."

STAND BY THE UNIVERSITY.

TOMORROW the fate of the bills referred to the people for action will be decided. While they are all of considerable importance, those concerning the University of Oregon, and the workmen's compensation bill are of vital interest to the whole state. It seems to us that the necessity of the state's maintaining its college is so self-evident that it is almost an insult to the intelligence of the voter to offer arguments in its favor. Yet we cannot refrain from again urging every voter to stand by the university. It would be little short of a crime to refuse to hold up the hands of the university and provide the means for its existence. It is in fact a part of our public school system, and provides the opportunity for our boys and girls to complete their education here in our own state.

It is one of the very best colleges of its kind, that is of those maintained by the state, in the whole country, and its graduates have added to the fame and glory of Oregon. No one has found any fault with it, even those who invoked the referendum making no other claims than that it would be better to consolidate it with the Agricultural College at Corvallis. Those who are ac-

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quainted with the situation know this would be injurious to both colleges whose objects are widely different, and both necessary.

Every citizen who has the good of the state at heart, who has the best interests of the boys and girls of the state in view, will not hesitate about voting "Yes" on each and every of the U. of O. bills. It is our college, maintained for the benefit of our children, and we should all voice our sentiment at the attempt to rob us of it, by going to the polls and putting our votes in favor of the college. Let us sit down on these invaders of the referendum and let them know that we are capable of managing our own affairs. Vote "Yes" on all U. of O. bills.

MORE BATTLESHIPS OR MORE GOOD ROADS?

THE COST of a battleship, with trimmings, would build 500 miles of good road. The battleship would be obsolete almost as soon as built and ready for the scrap heap within ten years. The good road would, within three years at the most, repay its cost, and afterward would be a net, permanent asset. As a reducer of the cost of living, the good road has it over the battleship like a tent. What is the use of expecting folks to go back to the farm if the roads are so poor they can hardly get back, and, once back, have to see the farm produce rot on the ground because of the difficulty of getting it to market?

Next winter congress will be asked to spend money for three new battleships and also to begin a systematic development of national highways. It will probably vote the battleships and refuse to vote the good roads, on the ground that good roads are a state and local concern.

Yet a gridiron of roads would be a much better insurance of the general welfare than the costliest fleet of battleships that money could buy. In which way would you prefer to have your taxes spent?

A recent fashion note says "skirts are to be fuller." As they are skintight now and each made and measured over its intended contents, this seems impossible. The present skirt, as to fullness, looks like three bushels of wheat in a two-bushel sack.

Jose P. Webb, who is at present ornamenting a cell in the state penitentiary for one of the most brutal and cold-blooded murders ever committed, is putting in time he should be employed in making brick, or some other useful work, in trying to teach the public morals. When a beast like Webb is placed in the penitentiary for the safety of the public, he should be cut off from communication with that public. Regardless of what it is he is advocating or condemning, it is an outrage on public decency to permit his opinions to be sent out to the world, especially his opinions on morals. As an expert on murder and the cutting up of the bodies of his victims, his opinions might have some weight, as his experiences in that line qualify him to advise.

While Mr. Julius Kruttschnitt is representing to the people of Oregon that decreased earnings, government interference with roads and lack of means consequent thereon, are responsible for the delay in building the Natron Cut-off, and completing other proposed improvements, statistics show that railroads have for the past five years had a more remunerative business than ever before, and they also show that for the year ending June 30 they had larger net earnings than during any other 12 months in their history. From this showing Julius should be able to see his way clear to order that long-needed depot for Salem.

THE ROUND-UP.

A hundred tons of butter arrived in San Francisco from Australia Friday, part of which will be shipped to Portland. If the butter proves as good as the local product, it will have a tendency to keep prices somewhat lower and more regular, as the Australian butter is most abundant in the winter months here, as that is the Australian summer.

More than 500 dogs have been put to death for running at large in Portland, since July 1.

Lyle H. Brown, son of the editor of the Brownsville Times was married at Albany Thursday afternoon, the bride being Miss Ella A. Leonard, of Brownsville.

"Grandma" Sarah Todd, aged 103, will cast her first ballot at Eugene Monday, November 3.

According to the Medford Sun, Spanos made eight confessions after his arrest and up to the time when he dropped out of sight and hearing. In nearly all of them he confessed that someone else did it.

Margaret Chrisman, wife of John Belcher, of Lafayette, died at her home in that city Monday, October 27, from paralysis. She was a pioneer of 1850, and was 87 years old.

There was another rabbit drive held at Lamonta last Sunday at which more than 2000 long-eared jacks were shot or clubbed to death.

In taking up the old plank walks at Prineville recently much small change was found by the contractors. In one block more than \$10 were found, most of it in nickels and dimes.

The city council of Baker has enacted that henceforth smoking is to be prohibited in theatres and playhouses.

Medford Sun: We approve the idea of entertaining the Giants and White Sox while here in the best possible fashion. Of course, the first man to make a home run should be presented with a box of extra fancy apples.

"Stories of rich finds of gold in southern Oregon," says the Grants Press Courier, "have long since ceased to excite wonder or to create stampedes. For 60 years these discoveries have occurred with singular regularity, and it has come to be an accepted fact that the hills are filled with unbound wealth."

Rye Valley special to Baker Herald: The miners of the Rainbow mine are planning to enjoy themselves just as they do in the city. They are installing an amusement hall for motion pictures, dances and other entertainments and are also putting in a tennis court and other recreation features unusual to a mining settlement. There are now about 75 men working there.

The estimable editor of the Dallas

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Observer must have his little joke, like this: "The Cottage Grove Sentinel says of the proposed ladies night at the commercial club that the women will take part in the business session, 'enjoying themselves afterward in the same manner as the men.' We are indeed shocked to know that so many of the Cottage Grove ladies smoke."

JUST A WORD OR TWO IN EXPLANATION

The Capital Journal has advertised that it would print communications in its Open Forum column at any time and on any proper subject. It is still willing and anxious to do so. However, it has received dozen of communications on each side of the wet and dry election for several reasons, one of which is that there were so many of them, and these practically repetitions of what others had said, that space and ability to handle the matter was beyond us. The principal reason, however, was that the correspondents, most of them, violated two of the rules that we have time and time again repeated, and that is that communications must be reasonably brief, and must be signed by the person writing them, not for publication, but for our own information. Instead of complying with this rule dozens of letters were not signed and many of them unreasonably long. One would

have taken at least five columns and probably nearly a page. We print this for the purpose of explaining to those who sent in communications why their letters were not published. This paper, we say again, will under no circumstances print unsigned communications, and it cannot devote a whole page to any one person. Reasonable brevity and the matter signed will always get room in The Capital Journal, but we cannot print a whole book for any one on any subject.

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The Mexican so-called election occurred on Sunday, but the deed was no better on that account.

AND SO THEY MARRIED. It is reported here that E. H. Gage, a former steward at the Hotel Marion and Mrs. Charles Ford, formerly the wife of Mr. Ford, of this city were married in Portland recently and are now residing in that place. Mr. Gage is conducting a saloon in Portland. Mrs. Ford secured a divorce from her first husband on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. Mr. Gage's name has been used in connection with an attempted suicide on the part of a young woman who was formerly employed as a waitress in the Marion. Senator Lane rides on street cars in Washington and objects to paying an extra nickel when he thinks he should have a transfer. Evidently he doesn't aim to get into high society or he would have an automobile and a "shofer."

Official Non-Partisan Primary Election Ballot. FOR WARD NO. 3, CITY OF SALEM, MARION COUNTY, OREGON. TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 3, 1913.

Mark a Cross (X) Between the Number and name of each Candidate Voted for

For Alderman 3d Ward	Vote for TWO
	Long Term
	Short Term

The above is a sample ballot of ward No. 3, in which two councilmen are to be elected. The other ward ballots are identical with this, except that some of them elect only one councilman. All that is required is to write in the name of the person you want for the office. As there are no candidates nominated, and, consequently no place to mark a cross, none is necessary.

LITTLE TALKS ON EVERY-DAY FINANCE

Start Your Boy Right

If you want to know the present indications of your boy's success, give him a half dollar and observe what he does with it.

- G. If he uses it sensibly and saves some of it, without advice from you, he is on the right track; encourage him.
- G. If he begins at once to plan its expenditure for boyish trifles, his financial education should start NOW.
- G. The money-bent your boy is forming now will keep right on forming and crystallizing into financial character.
- G. You can begin your boy's financial education by having him open a savings account with this bank.
- G. Then see that its maintenance is always a matter of consideration.
- G. Little triumphs in favor of the savings account will pave the way to greater achievement later on.
- G. Start your boy right.

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