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WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE HE MEANT?

THE EUGENE REGISTER of Friday morning says editorially: "A skunk farm has just been started down in Marion county. There ought to be no trouble in getting it stocked."

Now, you look here, Brother Jenkins! We are not going to jump in and kick about this assertion, because you may not have meant to convey the idea that the location of that perfume distilling farm was the main reason for your optimistic opinion of its being stocked so easily, but we have our doubts.

A rather peppery judge down in Arkansas, who had graduated from the printer's case, taken up the ignoble calling of the law and finally reached the bench from the bar, like lots of others in wet territory, getting vexed at a stultifying attorney, volunteered the statement that said attorney was a fool. The attorney, in attempting to change the judge's opinion, got back with: "I am n-n-n-t so b-b-b-ig a d-d-d f-f-ool as y-y-y-our honor—t-t-t-akes me to be."

"All right, Mr. Jenkins, all right," laughed the judge, "but hereafter you take the court's advice and thin-space your language."

A SALEM MAN SELECTED.

IF SALEM should adopt the commission form of government at any time, it would be eminently proper to select a manager from some other city, preferably La Grande, which honored Salem by selecting a manager from among her citizens. It is in other respects the best thing to do for the reason that the manager begins his work with no factions against him. Take any man for instance, from Salem, and put him in as commissioner, mayor, or manager, or whatever the title may be, of this city, and he would begin his work with all kinds of opposition. This would be especially true of any man who, like Mr. Lafky, had held the office of councilman, for he would have necessarily antagonized some, and would have an unfriendly element to contend with from the start. Mr. Lafky goes to his work in La Grande without this handicap, and the entire community will be pleased to hear that he has given La Grande an administration that will be eminently satisfactory to them. In the meanwhile we will all keep an eye on La Grande, if for no other reason, just to see what a Salem man can do when he gets a free hand and a chance to carry out his ideas.

THE LAW OF PARADOX DISCUSSED BY THE FRA

By Elbert Hubbard.

Can law sanctify sensuality? Do all the "bad women" live in this quarter, or that?

The police do not know, for they are but the tools of that blind, blundering thing, the law; and the preachers who conventionally bless certain things and curse others, lift an eyebrow and speak in affected grieved surprise.

But the law of antithesis exists. The paradox lives. Life is a spiral. And possibly when all things are made plain we who have glorified in women but a single virtue will find that DeQuincy was right, and that the woman who understands is the Magdalen, who from out the purging fires of purgatory completes the circle and arises spotless, recognizing deity incarnate when all others blindly fail.

I really do not know.

Walking through the gallery of statuary of the Luxembourg I saw the white, carved nude figure of a man—a man in all the splendid strength of youth.

Standing behind him on a higher part of the pedestal was the form of a woman; and this woman was leaning over her face toward him and her lips about to be pressed upon his.

I moved closer and to one side, and saw that the face of the youth was an expression of deathly agony, and then I noted that the muscles of that splendid body were tense with awful pain.

And in that one glance I saw that the woman's body was the body of the tigress—that only her face was beautiful—and that her arms ended in claws that were digging into the vitals of the man as she drew his face to hers.

Suddenly feeling the need of fresh air, I turned and went out upon the street.

Now one might suppose from that awful sermon in stone that woman was the cause of man's undoing. But for the benefit of bespeckled and misunderstood husbands I'll call attention to the fact that the men who have achieved most in literature, music, painting and philosophy are men who knew from

sad experience the sharpness of woman's claw—Socrates, Dante, Shakespeare, Rousseau, Milton, Wagner, Paganini, and so many more that were I to name them all the world would not be large enough to contain the books in which they are printed.

Of course, I'll admit that the men who have been flayed by women, and this sometimes accounts for the flaying.

Milton bewailed the fact that he could get freedom from marital woes on no less ignoble grounds than violating his marriage vows.

Milton did not get his freedom. His wife sat on him, silent and insensate, and so did her whole family of seven persons. Her father and mother, her sister and brother, and all the family were there. And his sharp cry made him the butt of jibes and jeers innumerable.

Milton was an obscure school teacher and clerk; but if any of those great men who sought to humiliate and defeat him the mentioned nowadays in history it is only to say "they lived in the age of Milton."

"His life ruined by a woman"—pish! You flatter her; she hasn't the power.

Proposals for Supplies—State Institutions.

The Oregon State Board of Control will receive sealed bids for furnishing supplies to the various State Institutions on December 22, 1915, at 2:30 p. m., consisting of drygoods, clothing, furnishings, groceries, shoes, hardware, brooms, drugs, paints, oil, stationery, crockery, plumbing, etc., for the semi-annual period ending June 30, 1916.

Specifications and schedules will be furnished upon application to the secretary. Each bid to be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of 10 per cent of the whole amount of bid, payable to the Oregon State Board of Control, to be held as a guarantee of the faithful performance of the contract.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to accept any part of a bid.

R. B. GOODIN,
Secretary Oregon State Board of Control.
Salem, Oregon December 2, 1915.

THE ROUND-UP.

"Snow is piling on the mountains, making irrigation for next summer; it looks good," says the Baker Herald.

Eugene Register: Reliable estimates place Eugene's population at 14,500. A growth of 5000 in three years is not so bad, is it?

"The fact obtrudes painfully," says the Medford Sun, "that the interest in pugilism is on the decline in this valley."

The La Grande Messenger comes forward with the guess that the investigators of the cost of living problem will at least find that the cost is still high enough.

In moralizing mood the Myrtle Creek Mail remarks: "The Book says that he that soweth to the wind shall reap the whirlwind. We also observe that occasionally he who soweth bootleg whiskey, gasoline and joyrides garnereth grand jury indictments, and prospective prison terms."

A grand clean-up campaign is in progress in the courthouse yard at Gold Beach, as an altogether surprising result of Halloween pranks. The authorities decided it was cheaper to remove the few things the boys had left than to hunt up and put back the many they had overturned or dragged away.

Metals Pioneer: The P. E. & E. is showing a commendable spirit of enterprise in furnishing the gravel for the street leading to the depot. It is not often that a street is graveled by a railway company, and the same spirit has been shown by the citizens, as the work of distributing the gravel has been practically all donated. It is this spirit which enables us to overcome the handicap of bad roads.

During the year ending September 30, Gilliam county paid, out in bounties on wild animals \$1422.50. Three-fourths of this amount was paid on coyotes.

Condon Globe: Edward Curran, former editor of the Condon Times, is scheduled to deliver an address before the journalism class at the university next week. Mr. Curran is editing a paper in Vancouver now.

The Medford Sun dopes in that the man who married Jessie Wilson will always be known as Jessie's husband, not the president's son-in-law, and the Sun feels constrained to observe that fame does treat some folks shabbily.

Wallawa county's delinquent tax roll is the smallest in years—only \$4182—and the Enterprise Record Chiefly says the excellent showing is due "in large measure to the genial, persuasive methods of Deputy Collector Charles E. Crow."

John Alden Senbury's eastern Oregon Mining Journal, published at Greenhorn has now been rechristened the Eastern Oregon Journal, "pamphletized in scope to cover all news, and amplified in field to cover 16 instead of three counties," but will continue to emphasize the mining game.

An item reprinted by the Dallas Itemizer from its issue of November 26, 1887, conveys the information that in that year the state tax levy was 5.2 mills and the total tax for Polk county was 16.2 mills.

The Toledo Sentinel man turns up his editorial nose at the Corvallis hen that laid 303 eggs a year. This unkind man says: "The editor of this paper has an old iron gray hen that frequently goes 303 days without laying an egg of any kind. We have never noticed that she ever misses a meal, however."

William F. Arnold is now editor and manager of the Lapine Inter-Mountain. In his salutatory he admits he may never set the world on fire, but proclaims that, just the same, he's going to keep on lighting matches. He gives token of becoming a vigorous booster for what he justly calls "this wonderful country."

Eminently correct observation recorded by the meteorologist of the Roseburg Review: "Only three more weeks until the shortest day of the year. Soon after January 1 the days will begin to grow perceptibly longer. It is by that, rather than by the sever-

A LOVELY FACE— BUT UGLY HAIR

How often you see an otherwise lovely face spoiled by homely hair—a face that would be most charmingly beautiful if she only had prettier hair. What a pity!—and how foolish! Because that ugly hair, stringy, dull, lifeless-looking though it may be, can be made as glossy, soft, silky and beautiful as the heart could desire if only taken proper care of.

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ity of the weather, that we shall note the passing of the winter."

The editor of the Seaside Signal, which is now in its ninth year, feels the need of a typesetting machine, and tells his delinquent subscribers that if all of them will settle up he will have the price.

A committee has been appointed by the Masons of Newberg to consider the feasibility of erecting a building suitable to the needs of the order. It has been suggested that a theatre may be built in the rear of the building with an entrance in front.

Vancouver Columbian: Many tables of the poor of Portland were graced yesterday by wild geese, duck and jack-rabbit, due to the good will of a small army of red-blooded and high-hearted Nimrods who had organized an extensive hunt for that worthy purpose. It was a splendid thing, to do.

Members of Sedgwick Relief Corps No. 1, attention! The annual election of officers will be held in Moose hall, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, December 6. Wear your badge, pay your dues, that you may be eligible to vote. Be there, man or shine.

THE OPEN FORUM

The Capital Journal invites public discussion in this department—Let both sides of all matters be fully brought out—it is not the purpose of this newspaper to do the thinking for its readers.

A SOCIALIST'S VIEW.

Ed. Capital Journal: Some rather severe criticism has followed the court for his decision on the election matter. This is natural and to be expected. But in such case it is not well to impute wrong motives. It should be remembered that courts have their prejudices as well as the rest of us. Abraham Lincoln disagreed with the Dred Scott decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, but his plan was to have the decision reversed by changing the personnel of the court. That is to say, put in judges whose prejudices turn the other way. When a court from training or habit ranges himself against the people the remedy is to exchange him for another kind at the ballot box. That is the way we socialists expect to get our court rulings. When we elect a president he will fill the vacancies on the federal court with socialists, not to disregard the law, but to interpret it according to socialism. You see, the law is written on rubber and can be stretched in any shape and to any length. So, always select your judges with a view to what you want done.

L. D. RATLIFF
N. B. That action of the city council that was criticized by the court was not intended to resurrect a dead law, but it was meant to validate a certain registration of votes for the city election. To an outsider not wise to the law it looks like the council was right.

Good resolutions are all right if they happen to make good.

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MARION COUNTY MUST DIG \$183,785 FOR STATE

Marion county's share of the state tax levy for 1914 will be \$183,785, according to an announcement of the state tax commission today.

The total amount of revenue required for general state purposes for the year, not including amounts apportioned on a special millage basis, will be \$3,388,258.10.

Added to that sum will be a tax of one twenty-fifth of a mill, yielding \$38,171.30, for the Mountz normal school and a tax of one-fourth of a mill, yielding \$238,570.60 for the state road fund, making the total amount needed \$4,165,000.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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