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## THE SOUTH AND THE NEGRO

The indications are that the law which would have resulted in the disfranchisement of a large portion of the negro vote in Oklahoma has been defeated. The fact that the attempt was made has caused considerable discussion of the negro being deprived, more or less, of his right to vote in many of the southern states. Like all other questions, it has two sides. It was unfortunate both to the whites and to the negroes. Some millions of them were given their freedom, and at the same time made citizens and given the right to vote. They knew nothing of government, most of them could not read. They had no idea of the country, of the rights of property, so-called, in fact so far as knowledge of politics, or the meaning of government was concerned, they were as ignorant as children. Is it any wonder that lifted from slavery to citizenship, and under the reconstruction policies and carpet-bag rule given office and power, that they became arrogant, swelled up with importance? Surely not.

The result was that in some states the negro legislatures ruled, made the laws and fastened burdens of debt on the states that were heavy to bear. They owned no property, paid no taxes, and cared not what happened to their old masters. Backed by white officers from the north who were generally not of the better class of politicians, for nearly all were appointed as reward for petty service, all they were capable of rendering, they ruled with a high hand and the white land owners saw ruin staring them in the face unless conditions could be changed.

It was these conditions that brought the Ku-Klux Klan into existence. Had the negro been given his freedom, and then been denied citizenship until he was prepared for it, it would have been far better for him as well as the whites. People of the north criticize the southern methods, and point with horror to the fact that the negro is deprived in many cases of his "political rights." We are not defending the system neither are we condemning it, for it is not our foot that it pinches. While condemning the whites of the south for refusing to permit the non-taxpaying element, the negro, to vote, the critics overlook the fact that here in Oregon as well as in most of the northern states, we do the same thing to the poor white voter. The man who pays no taxes unless he has children of school age cannot vote at an election where bonds are submitted. Why? For the same reason the south deprives the negro of his right to vote at general elections, the protection of the taxpayer. In the case of the school elections it is to prevent those who do not help pay the bills from voting a debt onto those who do. In the south the same means of protection, are used on a much wider scale. The principle behind each is the same. To deprive any citizen of his right to vote is admittedly wrong. Yet to permit the free voting of the negro in the south would mean negro officials, legislatures, negro domination and financial ruin. It is the unsolved and apparently unsolvable problem this country faces, and one that grows larger and more important every year.

It is the hope of all that the trouble between the railroads and their men can be settled without a strike. Mutual concessions and a consideration of the rights of the public should make either side hesitate long before bringing such disaster on the country. The situation following a general strike of the four brotherhoods is too appalling to even contemplate. If it comes it will start the movement for government ownership, and under this it is doubtful if wages would be any higher, or even as high as under present conditions. Another feature about it is that it will tend to bring unionism into disrepute and the unions will lose that sympathy of the public which is now with them. It will paralyze industries, bring ruin to many, and even should the strikers win, will cost much more than all the benefits would amount to during the lifetime of the strikers. The country can't afford it and neither can any of the parties to the dispute.

The Oregonian is broad in its faith in humanity and has a profound esperance concerning the patriotism of the American manufacturer. A Canadian munition maker recently returned to the government \$720,000, profits he had made on government contracts. In doing so he said: "It is merely an effort to do my bit. I don't see any reason why a man shouldn't make cartridges for his country at cost when so many of his fellow citizens are giving up their lives for it." The manufacturer was eminently correct, and this is where the Oregonian shows its childlike faith. It says it believes many American manufacturers would under like circumstances do the same thing. Of course such a thing is possible but the pages of American history fail to show any sacrifices of that kind; while they do show that the American manufacturers during the civil war sold paper shoes to the men at the front who were doing their fighting for them. They tell tales of spoiled bacon furnished the boys at the front and articles of food condemned for use elsewhere sent to the soldiers, who could use it or go hungry. There is plenty of patriotism in America, but corporations that have neither bodies nor souls are not generally long on it where the dollar is on the other end of the scales.

It is possible the republican candidate for the presidency, Mr. Hughes, will visit Salem and deliver a speech here. It is hoped he may do this for every American citizen would like to hear what so distinguished a person has to say, even though they disagree with him in political beliefs. Mr. Hughes has the reputation of being a splendid campaigner. During his visit to Oregon it would be the proper thing for him to explain that Oregon, California land grant decision, for unless he or some other member of the supreme court explain it it will always be a mystery as unsolvable as the Sphinx. Perhaps he can throw some light on it that will remove the supreme court of the United States out of the category of blooming idiocy.

While the allies play see-saw and count gains and losses by yardage, the Russian bear crowds ahead driving everything before him. Yesterday's dispatches show him pressing forward, driving the wedge still further in between the Austrians and Germans and endangering the flanks of both. Kovel is only a dozen miles from his extended paws and is liable to feel the force of his hug at any time. Lemberg may also soon be in his clutches. That his continued successes will be permitted without a fierce struggle is hardly possible. The Germans, always resourceful as well as surprising, will somehow before long drop a monkey wrench in the machinery, if their future conduct is to be forecasted from their past performances.

Supreme court Justice Tompkins, of New York, has solemnly decided that throwing baseballs at a darkey's head, or at imitation cats for prizes, is not a game of chance but one of skill. He must have been reading up the Kentucky decisions and so followed the precedent these established that chance had nothing to do with the national game of seven up.

Newport is not to be outdone by any of those little eastern watering places and so starts a small shark story on its rounds. Two years ago a man eating shark 25 feet long was killed off Yaquina bay by Captain L. Carner, but the latest one is of a different variety, that prefers a fish diet, men being too scarce bait for him.

Reports of injury to the Canadian wheat crop sent prices aeroplaneing in the Chicago markets Wednesday. "This bad luck of our neighbors helps the American farmer." "Its an ill wind that blows nobody good."

In San Francisco restaurants just now guests do not order their meals. Instead they cook them, and have the privilege of swearing at the cooks as much and hard as they please. The harder the better the proprietors like it.

If things are not coming your way as fast as you think they should, take an evening off, go across the river to Riverside Dip and "get in the swim."



**Rippling Rhymes**  
by Walt Mason

**KEEPING COOL**

If calm and cool you'd feel and look, while summer heat is blister'n', you'll patronize the babbling brook, the village pump or cistern. For tanglefoot and old red ink and bugjuice make you hotter; there's nothing better, as a drink, than undiluted water. Discourse of light and pleasant things, discuss this mighty nation, talk much of cabbages and kings, but not of perspiration. Let such a theme as politics by you be never treated, for arguing and throwing bricks will get you over-heated. Be gentle with your patient wife, and say she is a darling; if you get cross there will be strife, and forty kinds of snarling; you can't be cool when angry dames accept the gage of battle; you can't be cool while calling names that make the dishes rattle. Be calm and placid as you can, hunt up the soft drink fountains; turn on the small electric fan, and think of Greenland's mountains.



## THE TATTLER

An occasional shark is seen at Riverside Dip—on the beach.

A man with a job as right-of-way agent for a line of airships would be a lucky chap.

Why is it that when a newspaper office is robbed of money everybody thinks it funny?

At least one ice cream merchant in Salem states solemnly that he sees nothing in the Chicago heat situation to warrant a resolution of sympathy.

Lost—A number of good convicts.

One of the town grouchies says Salem will never have a glass factory, because she hasn't the sand. People who live in the neighborhood of glass factory prospects shouldn't throw stones.

## STATE NEWS

Medford Mail Tribune: The auction prices on Bartlett pears in the east have been steadily rising for the past general average in New York was few days. On Friday the 25th the \$2.55, in Boston \$2.50, in Philadelphia \$2.21. Our best advices are that the prospects are exceedingly good for the balance of the season. We have closed during the past week private sales for 15 cars of extra fancy Bartletts at prices ranging from \$1.65 to \$1.75 f. o. b. Medford, and we are now negotiating for further sales at the latter figure. The Bartletts on some orchards have developed very rapidly and we expect to begin picking in a small way on the 3rd of August and will probably get out two or three cars on the 6th or 6th of August.

The Western Pine Manufacturers' association will hold a joint meeting with the California White & Sugar Pine association at Bend, Ore., on August 9 and 10. The two days will be spent in the discussion of trade conditions, uniformity of manufacture and grades. Representatives of the two associations which cover the pine production of the states of Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon and California will be present. The formation of a central grading bureau embracing the entire territory will be discussed. An inspection of the new, modern mills, timber and logging operations of the Shelby-Hixon Co. and Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co., will form an interesting part of the program. Bend is in the center of a very large timber tract and is already a large producing section and is destined to become one of the most important on the Pacific coast.

Gold Beach Reporter: One of the fishermen caught a chinook salmon in his net yesterday that had been caught before by an angling fisherman. It had a large hook securely fastened in the side of its jaw, and a long piece of heavy line was attached, showing that the fish had broken the line after being hooked. As there were no signs of a spoon, and it was not a spoon hook, it would appear that the fish had taken a bait, which many people say a chinook will not do. The head of the fish, with hook and line attached was cut off and put in brine, and Fish Warden Jewell will send it to the fish commission as an object lesson on the habits of the chinook. The hook had been in the fish's jaw so long that the wound had healed up and grown solid around the metal.

Klamath Falls Herald: That both Governor James Withycombe and Senator Harry Lane are behind Klamath Falls in its efforts to secure the opening of the Klamath Indian reservation for development is indicated in a letter received this morning by J. W. Siemens president of the Klamath Commercial club. In the letter Governor Withycombe says he will do all in his power to have the reservation opened, and says he has enlisted the aid of Senator Lane in the movement.

North Bend Herald: From people who have been on the north beach during the past few days comes the report that large numbers of sealions have been noticed off the mouth of Tenmile creek. This is accepted as an indication that the sealions are preparing to make their annual run up the creek to Souta Lake, and the news will be welcomed by local fishermen.

## Fine Map of Oregon and Made in Oregon by Oregon People

To make a really correct map of any section, one must go by the records. Cooperation on the part of the one who is able to give the data and the one who compiles it are absolutely necessary.

C. R. Walrod of the Heald Map & Directory Co. of Portland, who is in Salem for a few days on business connected with the sale of the new state map of Oregon, gives us some interesting side lights on how the map for the map was compiled and what it shows.

It was while collecting data in connection with the compilation of a map of the five northwest counties of Oregon that we were inspired with a desire to make a really correct map of the state. Every time we would glance over the eastern made maps and see the boundary line between Curry and Josephine counties, and the apparent utter disregard for accuracy on other boundary lines, the failure to show railroads that have been in operation for years and the showing of others as operating when as a matter of fact they were only surveys, and old ones at that; that we used to wonder how the publishers ever got by with the goods.

## Children Cry for Fletcher's



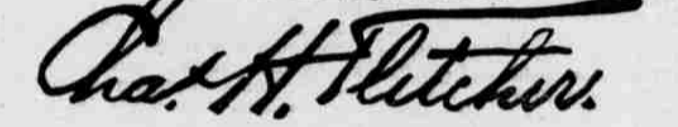
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Our map has been made with a greater degree of accuracy than any commercial map of any state. The cooperation of the various county surveyors was obtained and most excellent results secured.

Mr. Herrick, county surveyor of Marion county, rendered us much valuable assistance for which we are very grateful.

From the U. S. forest service officials was obtained all the data of forest reserve lines correct to April 1, 1916, and the location of the principal trails within.

Less than a year ago the U. S. reclamation service completed a survey of the Warner lakes in Lake county and which we show for the first time on any map. Location of all the main canals of the Klamath, Umatilla, Tumbalo and Central Oregon Irrigation projects are shown, also the proposed Strahorn surveys furnished by Mr. Strahorn personally.

One of the hardest to obtain and which brought even the secretaries of some of the commercial clubs into action was the securing of data showing the location of sixty four logging railroads in the state. We little dreamed as did your foremost timber men of the state, that so many live operating logging railroads existed.

C. B. Aitchison, late head of the Oregon public service commission, who checked over our tracings regarding the railroads remarked "that it was the only correct railroad map of the state in existence."

Every post office in the state up to and including May 1, 1916, is shown in

## Supreme Court Tackles Cheap Lunch

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 4.—Having had breakfast, the Minnesota state supreme court sat down on its bench here today to find out what this thing is that people call lunch.

Some persons say lunch is merely an apology to the stomach for the long wait between breakfast and dinner. Others say that anything eaten in the middle of the day is lunch unless the eater has a hundred thousand dollars and a Boston accent, in which case it is luncheon. The average man, the one who goes down town to work early in the morning and smokes nickel cigars or a pipe, conceives lunch as a square meal on a round table for fifteen cents. But it's up to the court to decide officially. Bill Mosher, arrested because he didn't have a hotel or restaurant license, says he wasn't serving lunch in his place and the court must decide whether the things he gave out to be eaten constituted lunch.

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