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MALOCCLUSION.

"If we could achieve the prevention of this most terrible blight upon childhood, malocclusion, it would stamp us as deserving the most glorious commendation and would make our professional standing more laudable in the sight of man and God."

This statement was made in perfect seriousness by Dr. E. A. R. Torsch, of Louisville, Ky., before a convention of dentists, and is printed in a discussion of malocclusion in the Journal of the National Dental Association.

To call the imperfect closing of teeth upon each other the "most terrible blight upon childhood" seems to the layman to be putting it rather strongly. Yet dentists and most physicians are now agreed that badly closing teeth are responsible for innumerable digestive troubles, infections and malformations of the jaw.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the necessity for taking children to the dentist early and often. A child's teeth, experts say, should be examined twice a year from the time the child is three years old. The first teeth, instead of being of no consequence, are of the highest importance. If they are crowded, crooked or decayed, the permanent teeth will almost invariably be so also. If any straightened and adjusting is to be done it must be done in the very early years.

Teeth are the gateway through which all food must pass. Dirty teeth are as little to be tolerated as dirty dishes. Decayed teeth are centers of infection—gathering and breeding places for all the germs that are. Badly closing teeth are like machinery out of repair—they do not grind food properly. They are slackers, throwing their work upon the stomach which is not prepared for it.

A family dentist should be as much of a necessity as a family doctor. Choose a competent, well recommended man. See that the family go to his regularly and abide by his decisions. Good looking, cheerful children will be the result.

AMERICAN EFFICIENCY.

Every day of war preparations emphasizes the fact that our old faith in American business ability and industrial genius was well placed.

That faith wavered for a while. Our cars were so dinned with "German efficiency" propaganda that we began to distrust our own powers. The revelation of German military thoroughness and ingenuity that came with the outbreak of the war led us to wonder whether we could ever match the Germans at the business of modern war making, with its infinity of mechanical requirements.

But we no longer bow down and worship before that shrine. A few short months of war preparations have revealed greater powers of organization and execution than we even knew we possessed. Those who are familiar with what has been accomplished in nearly every line of effort stand amazed at the genius shown by the American people not merely for brilliant individual action, but for orderly, co-operative effort.

There are several instances in point, any one of which would in ordinary times attract world-wide admiration. The story of the Liberty Motor is now pretty well known. It was seen to be desirable that the United States should have a powerful, efficient airplane motor, of the utmost simplicity, so standardized that the parts could be made separately and assembled anywhere. The European experts said it took nine months to develop a new motor. A little group of American engineers got together in a Washington hotel and in five days and nights produced the plans for the required engine. The blueprints were turned over to a manufacturer, and in 21 days there was a complete model in Washington, running perfectly. Now those engines are being turned out by the thousand, and the whole airplane industry is revolutionized.

Less is known about two other remarkable achievements of our mechanical engineers. A standard design was similarly worked out for a railroad locomotive. The blueprints were turned over to a big manufacturing company, and in a fraction over three weeks the new locomotive was finished. Now the same company is turning out one every two days.

A feat no less remarkable has just been accomplished in the matter of motor trucks. The army wanted to standardize trucks, like everything else, for the sake of simplicity and efficiency of construction and repair. A little group of manufacturers and engineers improvised a motor truck combining all the best features of the existing trucks. The blueprints were turned over to a manufacturer with a request for haste. Nothing was heard from him for over two weeks. Then came a laconic dispatch to the war department reading about like this:

"The first standard motor army truck ran under its own power at 6 a. m. today, 18 days after receipt of the plans. The second will run tomorrow."

The army cantonments represent another triumph. In 90 days there were built, in widely separated parts of the country, 16 complete cities each fitted for the comfortable and healthful housing of a population of 15,000 men. That was a much greater feat than any phase of the Panama Canal construction. Movie pictures taken by the war department show a two-story building big enough to house a company of troops built, from the ground up, in two hours and 58 minutes.

We have demonstrated an "American efficiency" that is more efficient than the German brand. It has the further merit of being purely a volunteer product, the result of willing and intelligent co-operation of free men. We have thus proved the superiority of democracy even in the realms of industry.

TRADING IT OFF.

In the years gone by the Roseburg Commercial club has "put over" some mighty good things for Roseburg and Douglas county. From the work of the club, in an indirect way, there are people now living in this community who owe much of their success to this local institution. The club has brought people to this community to make their homes and these people have contributed largely to the upbuilding of the city and county at large. Many of them have invested thousands of dollars and these very same people want to see the community prosper and continue to grow that they may receive from their investments a reasonable profit. Because, at this time, there has slight growth in the movement of new people to this section is all the more reason why a good, live commercial club should be maintained. But there seems to be a disposition on the part of many not to give the club the liberal support it deserves which puts a fellow in mind of the man who, after receiving all the benefits of a deserving athletic club has "faded" a little in the strenuous work and is ready and willing to "trade her off" for the nearest thing to nothing that it is possible for him to do and at a time when his support should be all the more generous.

The man in Colorado who did not know we were at war with Germany has nothing on a few citizens and concessions we know.

What substitute is responsible people depends entirely on whether you are buying or selling.

STRAFING WAGNER.

Maybe it's because Chicago has been credited with having a pro-German mayor. That would tend to make any American city sensitive about things German. Anyhow, Chicago is not going to take any chances of having anybody question her musical loyalty to the Stars and Stripes.

The Chicago Opera Company announces that "in deference to the sentiments of the American public," it will not produce any German operas this season.

Richard Wagner will now consider himself properly strafed for his musical scarecklichkeit. We refer, of course, to his infamous attack on Belgium, his devastation of northern France and his U-boat depredations.

But why stop with enemy opera? Barge on all German music? Surely Beethoven should be properly punished for his poison gas attacks and flach for his liquid fire, and Schumann for his bombing of women and children, and Schubert for his pledge-breaking, and Weber for his corruption and espionage.

Let us have nothing but entente music. Or better yet, none but American music. Let Chicago rise up in her patriotic might and cast out the whole perfidious, criminal lot of central European composers. Let her go further, and turn her stockyards into a detention camp for all Americans guilty of musical disloyalty.

Have you made up your mind to buy that Liberty loan bond?

The prune harvest is over—now for the big dance.

THREE NEW POSITIONS OPEN IN P. O. BUILDING

The U. S. civil service commission announces the following examinations to be held to fill vacancies in the custodian service at Roseburg, Oregon:

Fireman examination to fill position of fireman-laborer, $660 per annum with 10 per cent increase for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918.

Janitor examination to fill position of laborer, $600 per annum, with 10 per cent increase for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918.

Unskilled laborer examination to fill position of charwoman $300 per annum, with 10 per cent increase for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918.

For application blank and information apply at once to Charles K. Fields, secretary, board of civil service examiners, at the postoffice, Roseburg, Oregon, or the secretary, 14th civil service district, 302 postoffice bldg., Seattle, Wash.

Application blanks for the foregoing and inclosing envelopes addressed to the above or the district secretary, 302 postoffice bldg., Seattle, Wash., before the close of business on October 27, 1917.

U. OF O. BULLETINS WILL BE ISSUED

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 12.—Monthly bulletins giving facts and other information now which are interested in the conditions in the outside world again will have an opportunity this year of obtaining the same in the industrial and commercial affairs, department of the University of Oregon school of economics.

The school of economics is preparing and directly with the federal departments of commerce and with all other agencies that are engaged in collecting and disseminating such material. Trade conditions and trade opportunities in this country abroad.

As fast as the information reaches the school of the school will take it up, it is placed in the form of a monthly bulletin, accurate, authoritative, helpful to business and also helpful to interested persons. Information will be free.

In addition to the regular bulletins issued during the year the school will issue special bulletins on any special subject as occasion requires. All information will be included in the regular bulletins.

Shall it be a matter of local concern, or shall it be a matter of local concern? The school will be in a position to make, upon request, such special bulletins on any subject. Anyone interested in information should communicate with Mr. Lyman, dean of the school of economics, University of Oregon, Eugene.

SENATOR M'NARY ENJOYING SIMPLE LIFE

SALEM, Or., Oct. 12.—Senator Charles L. McNary, Oregon's new member of the upper branch of congress, reached home late last night after a long journey. He looks fine and is glad to be home. Senator McNary is being bombarded today with applications for posts from men in all sections of the state, but says he intends to take a rest before attending to any thing else. He is also bombarded with a cold.

"Yes, indeed, I am glad to get back to my native state," he said. "I am glad to see the money which is being put into the second Liberty bond campaign. The government must have money."

BUSINESS MAN WANTS A COMMERCIAL CLUB

It cannot be possible that the appeal for funds for the support of Roseburg's Commercial club will fail to receive a hearty and appreciative response. The city and surrounding country receives a maximum service at a minimum of expense. The active officers of the club give no thought to hour or pay. The whole cost of the present organization is less than was formerly paid to maintain headquarters, saying nothing about high priced professional publicity men, yet the work done now is as good as was ever done in our local history and probably better. At a trifling expense we receive the benefit of experienced business and professional minds which work because feeling an obligation to the community in which they live. Those most active happen to be those who perhaps would be least benefitted by the city's growth. That being the case, surely those who will profit most, the business men of Roseburg, will contribute liberally to the support of the Commercial club. Unless they do our city will be like the business house which refuses to advertise, the doors may be open but there are no customers inside. The club officers in declining to run into debt are taking a stand which is only typical of their earnestness and conservatism in all matters and are to be commended therefor.

BUSINESS MAN.

DE'S DER PIGGEST DHING OUDT.

(By W. A. Cameron.

I am Vilhelm Der Two, I will haf you to know
Who make up a scheme a few years ago
To conquer dey eart, and to rule all dey vorldt,
Und effrevhere make me mine flag gey unfurled.
I vill fight effery nation drough thick and drough thin,
Vhough dey all should get in, drough dey all should get in.

I dake Gott as partner to vork oudt der scheme
Und make me—me, Vilhelm, haff power supreme.
I'll ship fiddle Siberia und Russia and France,
Und yallob yeak Pelgium und make England dance.
If I neffer dit stardt, I vould neffer begin,
So I make der areadt var vich dey are all getting in.

Dough for years I forbare for der blutshett und strife,
Und chvare I schall make it pe var to dey knife,
Und der nations dot fighdt me, der areadt und der schmall—
I care no nod who comes, I'll fighdt mit dem all.
I schall care not how many schall dey for mine schkin,
I'll lick effery von dot schall pe getting in.

I vill knock oudt dem all und I preak effery bone,
If Gott will nodt hellup me, I vill do it alone.
I chase der shells roundt und I plo me mine horne,
Till I finally schlep on Old Uncle Sam's corns.
I'll nadpen vorget me I knicked on hirshin,
Dey dep pigest ding oudt, und he's now getting in.

I think me von time he was nodt very much,
But id seemdimes now looks like he nodt "beat der Dutch."
Yes, dey tells me he's rallying oudt all kinds of troops,
Und der fockers areadt him py hundreds or groups,
Und in an hibbadiabs he's spending his run,
Und he may get some schalp von he really gets in.

Mr. E. Miller returned to this city last night after spending the past week in Portland. R. H. C. Wood and family will probably return to this city some time during the day. They are making the trip by automobile.

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