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STANDARDS OF WORKMANSHIP.

There has been complaint of late from many sections of the scarcity of skilled labor. It is claimed that the majority of mechanics prefer to have some job where they can turn out a routine product on some machine without much chance for originality and skill, rather than some task where ideals of craftsmanship come in.

The desirability of manual skill is not emphasized so much today as formerly, and Americans value is less than some foreign nations. Dorothy Canfield illustrates this in her novel, "Rough Hewn," by her account of a little American girl who was attending a French school. She had to turn out a perfect job of handwriting, even though working on paper so poor that the pen would keep catching in it.

That is quite a contrast with multitudes of college students in America, who can scarcely write a legible hand. The idea in this country seems to be to do things just well enough to get by, though technical schools are doing their best to impart higher standards.

There is, of course, such a thing as over fussiness about detail. Some one tells of a factory foreman who spent all of a morning constructing a little wooden box that any carpenter could have knocked together in 30 minutes, meanwhile letting the work in his shop proceed in an unsystematic manner. The good workman must not merely look at the detail, but he must consider whether the whole proposition is costing more time and effort than the thing is worth.

Too many producers make goods that have serious defects and will wear only a little while. A workman or a proprietor ought to be ashamed to turn out an article that will prove disappointing to the user. Poor goods are expensive and add to cost of living by the necessity for frequent replacement.

About this time some people always denounce the custom of cutting down little evergreen trees for Christmas use. They maintain that land owners are thereby wasting one of their resources and helping to keep forest lands denuded. Nothing, however, seems to take the place of the little tree for Christmas decoration. It brings the loveliness of the woods into crowded city homes and stimulates good cheer and merriment. It adds to the happiness of children and suggests thoughts of beauty to the older folks. It is worth a good deal to the country to have this spirit of gladness come into millions of homes. Farmers and owners who cut these little trees claim they grow fast. They are found on land most of which would otherwise be worthless. If our woodlands are properly cared for, the children can have their festive little evergreen saplings without interfering with national prosperity.

A tribute of appreciation has been paid by men of all parties to the late James R. Mann, who for 25 years has held a conspicuous place in congress. People might disagree with him, but they recognize his untiring work to serve the people intelligently. While many politicians were running around to flatter their constituents with little favors and special privileges for their own districts, Mr. Mann was investigating with untiring diligence the merits of legislative propositions as respects the interest of the whole people until he became a perfect encyclopaedia of information about government activities. The country wants more faithful men of that type, and fewer pork chasers.

Ex-Governor West says he doesn't want a job on the state highway commission. This is one of those dollar-a-year propositions and it takes a big man to handle the road program of the state, but the "pull" that goes with the appointment is of some magnitude. Therefore, the appointment is looked upon with more than ordinary interest.

You'll have to hurry now to do your Christmas shopping early.

NEW LAW PROVIDES MUCH EMBARRASSMENT

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 14. (U. P.)—Under recently enacted United States laws, if a Canadian woman marries an American she automatically becomes "a woman without a country."

In Canada she will be recognized as a citizen of the United States because under Canadian statutes a woman takes the nationality of her husband. Under the new laws in the United States she will still be recognized as a Canadian citizen.

The new law—the Cable Act—has many interesting features. One of the most amazing is that while an alien woman married to a citizen of the United States becomes a citizen of that country, exactly the reverse is the case of a United States woman marrying an alien. She will continue to retain her citizenship.

A citizen of the United States marrying abroad to an alien woman, will be unable to have his wife included in his passport, and she can only travel to the United States by making an affidavit describing her lack of nationality.

The alien wife who wishes to travel in a third country apparently will be unable to obtain a travel document unless the country in which she expects to travel will permit her to make an affidavit describing her status and attaching thereto her personal description and also a signed photograph.

An alien woman, married in the United States to an American citizen will not be included in the husband's passport, and under the laws of most countries will cease to be a citizen thereof. In other words, she will not be entitled to a vote, or to consular protection anywhere throughout the world. She will be unable to obtain a passport from the representative of the country which according to United States law, she is still presumably a citizen or subject.

Altogether the law is at variance with all other countries, and is regarded as an entangling piece of legislation which promises to provide some very pretty embarrassments.

Local News

Painless extraction of teeth at room 9, Masonic Temple. Dr. Nerbas.

Automobiles Unloaded—

Glenn Taylor, local Chevrolet agent, today unloaded a carload of new 1923 Chevrolets. Among the shipment were two enclosed cars, a coupe and sedan which are very attractive looking cars.

Mrs. Chas. G. Stanton, teacher of Piano. Phone 75-J. 702 S. Pine.

To California—

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Nutbham of the South Methodist church left this afternoon for Wheatlands, California in response to a message that Mrs. Needhams sister who resided at that place, passed away. They will remain for the funeral.

Prune Pickin's

BY BERT G. BATES.

GOOD EVENING, FOLKS—
If they don't catch
The hammer murderess
Soon we're going to
Suggest to the govt.
That all claw hammers
Be taken off the market.

The gun club will hold a turkey shoot Sunday and get away with it. If any of we individuals attempted to go out on the highway and hold one we'd land in Starmer's bastile.

OUR RUMOR DEPT.

Oh Gosh—this is a good one!
C'mon and snicker with us.
Ya see, it happened like this—
Sheriff Starmer, Dpty. Dave Shambrook and Depty. Chad Daugherty purchased two bottles of Oakland water for five bucks the other day and now the drinks are on the officers.
The cops had been watching an Oakland feller who they thot was bootlegging and they had another feller go into his store and offer five smacks for a bottle of hootch. The Oakland feller slickered 'em tho' and sold the spotter two bottles of colored water. Wasn't that a dirty trick.

CROOL!

They met on the bridge at midnight;
They will never meet again—
For one was an eastbound heifer,
The other a westbound train.

We could pen a beautiful little pome concerning the frostiness of the mornings, but our chiblains won't let us.

There are microbes in kisses, but everyone likes the little devils.

A giggle per day will make your life pay.

A war vet dropped in for a visit with ye ed. today and in the course of the conversation he took to raving about his new home. "Oh, it's lovely," he said. "An' you should see the bathroom. Tile floors, showers, hot an' cold water, an' lukewarm as well—it just makes you long for Saturday night!"

Today we heard of a preacher who sells his picture for a dollar and if that craze spreads we'll soon expect to see the local sky pilots lined up for snapshots.

When you buy twenty-year-old whiskey from the average bootlegger it will be exactly 20 years old after you keep it 19 years and 9 months.

"I'd like to see the editor," said the caller. "He isn't here. He left last night by airplane for the African jungles," grinned the copy boy. "For the love of Mike, what's he going there for?" exclaimed the visitor. "For his health," the kid replied. "He had an item yesterday that was meant to say, 'Miss Permelia Fox, the banker's daughter, has an exceptionally dainty foot,' but the printer set it up 'An exceptionally dirty foot.'"

After reading a volume on reform ye ed. has decided that the powdered beak or the dimpled knee won't send any more to the bow-wows than did the styles when we saw less and thought more.

An heiress to $40,000,000 is to marry an artist. That boy sure is an artist.

The last hour Xmas shoppers are urged to attend a mass meeting on the main drag on the evening of December 23, at which time the last big rush on neckties will be made.

A woman performing in Chicago enters tiger's cage twice nightly and sings a soprano solo. We think that the S. P. C. A. should take immediate action.

It is easy to believe that man is descended from the monkey, but you can't realize how far he has descended until you examine a lounge lizard.

You know without making inquiry that the party in the gay striped vest thinks he understands women.

An American dollar will buy 200 kegs in Deutchland. Foreign travel is reviving.

Ye ed. is today starting a fund which we hope will increase to sufficient proportions to purchase galoshes for the street committee of the council to be worn while inspecting clogged sewers.

TOO CARELESS

What strange liberties our story writers take with their character's eyes. Here are a few examples.
"Her eyes roamed carelessly around the room."
"With her eyes she riveted him to the spot."
"He tore his eyes from her face and they fell on the letter at her feet."
"He drank her in with drowning eyes."
"Their eyes met for a long, breathless moment and swam together."
"Margory would often take her eyes from the deck and cast them far out to sea."
"He tore his eyes away from hers, causing intense pain to both." We should think it would.

I knew him as Old Ten Per Cent, the more he made, the less he spent; the more he got, the less he lent. He's dead, I don't know where he went, but if his soul to heaven was sent, he'll own the harps and charge 'em rent.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ:

"These are tough days for the calamity howlers. Things seem to be moving along exceptionally well."

When you are thinking of Christmas gifts, remember that the Fern, has a fine line of hand painted china and cut glass.

TODAY'S MARKET REPORT

PRICES PAID FARMERS FOR PRODUCE

Butter, 35 cents a pound
Butterfat, 49 cents.
Eggs, 45 cents per dozen.
Eggs, pullet, 40 cents per dozen.
Hens, heavy, 17 cents a pound.
Hens, light, 12 cents a pound.
Springers, 15 cents a pound.
Old roosters, 10 cents a pound.
Geese, 18 cents a pound.
Ducks, 18 cents a pound.
Wheat, $1.20 at mill, sacks returned.
Barley, $36 a ton.
Veal, dressed, 8 to 11 cents a pound.
Hogs, dressed, 12 cents, 120 to 160 pounds weight.
Cows, prime, 4½ cents.
Steers, prime, 5½ cents.
Lettuce, $1.06 per dozen.
Honey, local production, 20 cents a pound.
Cascara bark, 1922, 6½ cents a pound. Cascara bark, 1921, 7½c.

RETAIL PRICES ON MILL PRODUCTS.

Mill run, $1.40 to $1.50 a sack of 80 pounds.
Cracked corn, $2.15 a 100 pounds.
Rolled barley, $1.55 a sack of 70 pounds.
Grey seed oats, per bushel, 76c to 80c.
Feed oats, per 100, $1.50.
Flour, soft wheat, $1.65 a sack.
Flour, hard wheat, $1.95 and $2.10 a sack.

Olcott to Carry Appeal to Harding

SALEM, Dec. 14.—Astoria's appeal for federal aid to the extent of $3,000,000 in rebuilding the fire stricken city, may be carried directly to President by Governor Olcott in person.

The governor is in Washington D. C., today on his way to White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where he will attend the annual conference of governors. The message containing the appeal of Astoria to President Harding and congress, a copy of which was sent to the executive office here with a request for its endorsement by the governor is being forwarded to Governor Olcott in Washington by his private secretary, Don H. Upjohn.

It is expected that the governor will take advantage of his presence in the national capital to present the case of the stricken city to the authorities to whom the appeal is directed.

In a telegram received from the governor today, by his office here, announcing his arrival in Washington, Governor Olcott expresses horror over the results of the holocaust which laid waste to the business section of Astoria, only meager details of which, he says, have been available to him through press reports to the eastern papers.

Self consciousness, lack of poise, poor English, are AFFLICTIONS that can be overcome in the Business Girls classes of Bertha Elizabeth Hodge. Call or phone Heinline Conservatory regarding the new classes beginning soon.

Prisoner May Get Pardon for Xmas

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—Jesse P. Webb, who once actually began the last brief walk from the death cell to the gallows, may be given his freedom as a Christmas present.

It is unofficially reported that the governor will pardon him—probably next week.

Prison and state officials feel that, if he is pardoned, Webb will leave the penitentiary a man redeemed.

Since he was snatched from the noose, succeeding prison administrations have reported him not only a model prisoner but a man whose life has been devoted to doing good.

Webb's career comes near being the most dramatic of any man who ever lived in Oregon.

Blood, oozing from a trunk bearing a check to Seattle, led to the discovery of the body of W. A. Johnson, a rancher, on June 20, 1910. Johnson had been murdered in the New Grand Central hotel and the body packed in the trunk.

Webb and Mrs. Carrie Kersch were arrested the next day after a night of carousing in roadhouses. Several hundred dollars belonging to Johnson was found on Mrs. Kersch.

Webb was sentenced to hang; Mrs. Kersch to fifteen years' imprisonment.

September 5, 1911, at 12:30 p. m. was the time set for Webb's execution.

The day arrived.
Then the hour.
The hour melted into minutes.

Webb was taken from the death cell to the chapel. The invited witnesses were present. The executioners were ready. From the chapel Webb was to walk to the death chamber.

But he never took those final steps. Just five minutes before the instant set for the trap to spring a message from Governor West arrived.

The sentence had been commuted to life on the plea of Mrs. Webb and on her agreement to attempt no further decreases of her husband's punishment.

The whole penitentiary broke into a cheer as the word sped thru the corridors.

Webb came near fainting. Tears were on his cheeks. Then he prayed.

Since then, say prison officials, he has devoted himself to proving that a life had been spared to do untold good at the prison.

A printer by trade Webb began work on the prison newspaper, "Lend a Hand." For four years he has been its editor.

Recently he published a book, "The American Prison System," which has been read by criminologists, welfare and social workers all over the country.

The work is rated as a valuable contribution to the literature of its subject. Webb is said to be working on another book.

For years he has been a trusty and has never violated any phase of the confidence placed in him by prison officials. Webb was drunk when he committed the murder.

Other Christmas pardons are expected next week, most of them probably conditional.

Just arrived. Large assortment of Christmas candy. Beautiful gift boxes and baskets from 50 cents to $10. All our candies are pure, and wholesome at reasonable prices.
The ALCOVE CONFECTIONERY.

Glad

to make suggestions for that gift!

We can make your shopping easier.

Our stock includes such a variety of beautiful and useful gifts that surely you can find just the thing.

Our diamond stock is complete. Quality gems at the right price.

Ask to see our $50 diamond rings. We invite comparison.

BRYAN'S
GIFT SHOP
Opposite Chamber of Commerce

You'll feel better in every way
With a new suit on Christmas day.

It's easy to select a man's gift at a man's store.
Here Are a Few Suggestions
BATH ROBES, SMOKING JACKETS, SWEATERS, KNIT VESTS, SILK AND WOOL SOCKS, SOCKS OF ALL KINDS, TIES, SHIRTS, GLOVES, SCARFS, SLIPPERS.
Come in and see them.

DUDS FOR MEN, *Inc.*

Breaks colds in time safely

A small dosage
brings quick relief to scratchy, irritated throats. Cough eases, phlegm clears away, inflamed tissues are soothed. Now—before a slight cough becomes a serious ailment—break it up with

DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY
—a syrup for coughs & colds

Ex-Crown Prince Coming to U. S.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 14.—Alvin Owsley, national commander of the American Legion, in an address at the first Presbyterian church here to the state adjutants of the American Legion assembled in national conference, in Indianapolis, declared that "only yesterday in New York, I was informed that plans are being made for a visit of the ex-crown prince of Germany to the United States within the next six months.'

"Now a commander of the German navy is coming over to tell us in the German language what the war was about," the national commander continued. "Certainly the time is not propitious for any of their ilk and kin to preach their doctrine.

"I believe we would be entirely within our rights to bar from this country every man who made war against us until we can settle our own problems resulting from that war."

Fresh from conferences in Washington with President Harding and government officials regarding care of the disabled, Mr. Owsley spent a day in New York City investigating at first hand conditions in Veterans Bureau and contract hospitals.

Accompanied by local New York Legion officials, Commander Owsley went to the Kinksbridge Hospital, in the Bronx, where some 350 ex-service men receive treatment for nervous and mental disorders. The commander investigated the kitchen, sleeping quarters, dispensaries, recreation buildings and chatted with the patients. He expressed himself pleased with conditions.

His next stop was the Bronx tuberculosis hospital, at Kingsbridge, [illegible] a state institution. He found it to be a high grade hospital but not entirely suitable for veterans because of the presence of civilian patients and lack of constant government supervision.

Commander Owsley was accompanied by Garrett Dorr, chairman of Legion rehabilitation committee for District Number 2; Irvin S. Rackoff, Legion district chairman, New York; G. A. Rathbun, representing the New York Legion, and W. F. Lent, manager of the Veterans Bureau, Second District.

Commander Owsley addressed the New Jersey Legislature in Trenton before he departed for Indianapolis.

A Graceful Lantern

No decoration will be more effective in dressing up the house at Christmas time than lanterns and candle shades of crepe paper and tinsel. A graceful lantern is illustrated here, made on a wire frame over which the paper covering is pasted and cut-out figures are pasted to the sides. The long tassel may be of tinsel or crepe paper. Festoons of flower petals, strung on cords, finish this pretty decoration.

GIFTS THAT LAST

Bracelet watches, from $11.75. Simmons [illegible] Elgin wrist watches for men, most all sizes and prices. [illegible] pearl necklaces. See Simmons for clocks. Ingersoll watches. [illegible] stock. Call and see us before buying elsewhere. Spaugh. 604 So. Pine.

ONE YEAR'S SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS

Business is good [illegible] are still progressing [illegible] day is our first anniversary [illegible] year ago today we started in business. We feel that we [illegible] somehow express to our many patrons our sincere thanks for their patronage, [illegible] encouragement. In one year of business. We always will make every effort [illegible] merit your continued patronage in the future. Just [illegible] machinery yesterday. We are now in a position, and are prepared in ways to give better service [illegible] still better service as the years come and go. Watch us grow. Growing Roseburg.
UMPQUA STEAM LAUNDRY

Under new management [illegible] store has been taken over by the undersigned. Let me [illegible] troubles. I don't overcharge. Sloddart. The Shoe Man. 542-J.

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED

County Agent W. E. Drake and Prof. F. E. Price, [illegible] cialist in soils, are conducting several demonstrations in [illegible] irrigation. A drainage demonstration is being put on at Cachella place near Dixonville. The installation of a [illegible] system is being demonstrated at Winston, place south of Roseburg. On Friday the county agent will conduct a turkey killing and [illegible] demonstration at Yoncalla.

Hard made gifts on display. Millinery.

CALL FOR BIDS FOR WOOD

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to 10 a. m. January 4th, 1923, covering the cutting of the cords of cord wood now standing on the grounds of District No. 4 [illegible] said wood to be delivered at the school house on or before December 1st, 1923.
The Board of Directors of District No. 4 reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Dated this the 12th day of December, 1922.
V. J. [illegible] Clerk.