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THE WISDOM OF THE ANCIENTS

The recent discovery of art treasures placed in the tomb of King Tutankhamen of Egypt some 3000 years ago, is a wonderful revelation of the high state of civilization that had been attained far back in the dawn of history. In the popular thought, these ages so long ago have been regarded as merely dark times of ignorance and savagery.

Yet here 1000 years before Christ, the sense of beauty and skill of craftsmanship had been developed to a point about equal to that prevailing today. The records of those times indicate the existence of men of consummate mental power, and philosophy and arts flourished.

Yet somehow these wonderful civilizations perished. Until scholars and explorers began to delve into the old remains, the human race scarcely realized that back in these remote times there existed so much knowledge and refinement.

The fall of those old kingdoms raises the question in the minds of some whether the enlightenment of the present day may not likewise at some time crumble into dust. All past civilizations, they argue, have been obliterated, so why not ours? They argue that the same evils that caused the decay of these old nations are operating today, and may cause modern countries to go down in ruin.

Yet there is this difference. The primitive civilizations were built on a false basis. Enlightenment was developed among aristocracies. But nothing was done for the mass of the people. They constituted a force of unrest, that was bound to wipe out the ruling powers.

The permanence of our civilization can be secured only through democracy, which shall seek the welfare of all and produce a condition in which the mass of the people shall be loyal to their government and resist efforts to subvert it.

New York postal officials report that 100,000 Christmas greeting cards went astray in that city alone during the holiday period. Careless addressing was given as the cause for the bulk of these cards and letters failing to reach their destinations. These figures form a graphic instance of the need for greater care in the addressing and sealing of postal matter. Every reasonable effort is put forth by the postal authorities to see that mail is delivered, but when incorrect addresses are given and when names and street numbers are written so carelessly as to be illegible the carriers cannot be blamed for failing to make delivery. One hundred thousand persons were denied the messages of Christmas cheer which were intended for them, according to the figures given. From a practical standpoint little real damage has been done but when the figures are considered as an indication of the general carelessness which marks the addressing of mail matter it is readily seen that many thousands of far more valuable missives also find their way to the dead letter office.

We have read with interest that some of the bodies unearthed in the newly-opened royal Egyptian tombs are swathed in asbestos. The same doubts as to the future evidently perplexed King Tutankhamen as worry his descendants today.

Brother Bell certainly put the skids under that balmy spring weather we have been enjoying during the winter months by hammering the thermometer down to 21 above zero this morning.

Wouldn't this be a great old world if everybody was as good as the other fellow who thinks he is best of all.

Every day in every way it is getting colder and colder—and then some.



Dear Folks:—

Says the man, "Oh, why does woman have so many funny ways that I simply cannot understand, and will we see the days when she'll give up wearing summer furs, for which there's no excuse, and a thousand other foolish things which have no earthly use, save to satisfy a mind that has a reasoning all its own and which every man has always found is wise to leave alone?"

Says the woman, "Oh, you funny man, your ways are strange indeed. You would like to wear a coat of mail and ride a prancing steed through the streets to get attention, for you think you know it all, and that woman has no right to be upon this earth at all, save to sew on lots of buttons where your pride has puffed them off. At our efforts to do something more, you simply laugh and scoff."

Then when man has finished talking, right away he'll start to primp, shine his shoes and change his collar that is ragged, soiled or limp for he's got a date with woman and he'll whistle as he goes, while at home the object of his call is powdering her nose and her heart is all aflutter as she puts away the can full of things to make her beautiful before the eyes of man.

For their talk was only chatter with no thought to blame or scold, they'd not have each other otherwise for all the nation's gold.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—
You have to be about the fastest man on record To open the window and Then dive under The blankets Before the fresh Night air brings The goose pimples On your legs.

The town folks stepped a wee bit more lively this a. m. but there wasn't so many of 'em to step as usual.

DEADLY
These are wonderful times in which to live. We annihilate space and kill time.

BET HE WAS RIGHT FIRST TIME
First Stud—"This paper says that college girls don't approve of petting."
Second Stud (With a relieved expression)—"Ahl! That explains it!"
First Cake-Eater—"Explains what?"
Second Cow-Boy—"Nothing — only I thought it was my line that was giving out."

Lightning knocks a Kansas man out of his bed, and, according to the report the first words he said were: "All right, dear, I'll get up."

Nothing was ever sold by advertising until the customer found out where it could be bought. The Newspaper puts the WHERE in advertising.

With saxophones now being sold on the installment plan, world peace seems as far off as ever.

NEEDLESS TALK
I climb into the barber's chair to have him fresco up my hair and trim it up in style and as he blithely hacks away he talks of Egypt and Cathay, of sealing wax and tile. I ramble to the hardware store to buy a double-jointed door and half a pint of nails; and straightway Bill, the hardware man, begins to tell of some fool plan for propagating whales. No matter where I choose to roam beneath the azure vaulted dome some sucker's sure to spill a lot of language wise and punk—the most of which is arrant bunk—not worth a mark a gill. When to the teeming market place I turn my careworn wrinkled face, I do not talk; and those who serve within the shops should sell me curtain poles and mops, a double-breasted sock, without a lot of windy wails about the treaty of Versailles, the tariff on his boots, or how the French may grab off Ruhr—where that place is I'm not quite sure—er how to capture coots. Some day my patience will give out and I will bust some sucker's snout and trim up both his eyes for spouting forth a lot of bunk when I would buy his mealy lunk—twill take him by surprise. These men who spout forth ravell'd rot should be condemned upon the spot and taken from the town to where the trees grow thick and high, and there between the earth and sky be tethered upside-down.

DUMBELL DORA THINKS
The Espao time table is a joke book. These cold winter mornings are excellent for late sleeping. In this respect they are much like spring, summer and autumn mornings.

No matter how old a joke is, we can always laugh at it if the man who tells it has just given us back the ten dollars he owed, after we'd given up all hope of ever seeing it again.

HOLLYWOOD ITEMS
By wire—"Bathing beauties forgot suits. What will I do?"
Return wire—"Darr shame. Am sending some by carrier pigeon."

A FULL LINE
A Kentucky hardware store advertises "tucking combs and side saddles, hairpins and trace chains, watch charms, and sledge hammers, hair oil and blasting powder, cinnamon drops and army revolvers."

A pessimist always gets mad when things do not turn out as badly as he thought it would.

At that, it is strange how often women hit the man they shoot at.

Western paper announces that the citizens of that town have a novel and inexpensive way of deporting undesirable foreigners. They put a rope around the foreigner's neck and throw the other end of it over a limb.

Experts have found a way by which oysters may be eaten with safety. Probably it is done by tucking a napkin in your collar.

THEY'RE CURIOUS
If she gently sighs with half-closed eyes,
The while her hand you press;
Don't think she felt, you ne'er can tell,
It may be billiousness.

You never have to know much about any subject to be a howling success in handing out advice.

WHAT'S THE ANSWER
The Minister—"Now that we have finished our little study hour, is there any bright infant who would like to put a question?"
Tim, the Terror—"I'd like to know if you have on pants under that night-gown."

Life Begins Now
"We wonder if the early birds ever keep late hours."

World's Largest Chain Department Store Organization



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229-231 Cass Street, Roseburg

A Selection Now From Our Displays of Mid-Season Coats and Dresses Will Save You a Great Deal of Money!

To fully appreciate the truly wonderful values that await you here, it is only necessary for you to visit our Ready-to-Wear Department. There is a broad variety of stylish models in the most fashionable colors. The materials are those in vogue, selected especially for serviceability. Come in and inspect these displays.

Coats, \$14.75 and \$24.75

Dresses, \$9.90 and \$14.75

All Sizes for Women and Misses

Girls' Wool Dresses 7 to 14 Years \$4.98

Display of Coats



Handsome Styles Sold at An Unusual Price

This is a display of unusual values developed of fine quality Velour in prevailing modes. There are popular bloused models, plain or beautifully embroidered; box-pleated styles; flare backs; models with stylish silk cord belts; others with tie belts of self material. Most of the coats have handsome fur collars. Women's and misses' sizes.

Colors: Brown, Reindeer, Navy.

A Big Buy That Will Give you Great Satisfaction.

\$14.75

Big Display of Dresses

Models of Poiret Twill For Women and Misses \$9.90

Our New Year display of dresses is unrivalled in variety and quality-value and decidedly unrivalled as to price. The three frocks illustrated are representative of the models offered at this figure.

Modish Styles

and good grade material are outstanding features. Some models have the becoming flare skirt and slim waist; graceful straight-line styles. Touches of embroidery, smart beaded designs and clever effects of fancy braid add smartness.

A Variety of Styles Offers a Pleasing Choice of Selection

The slender miss or woman will appear to advantage in the flare models and others will appreciate the slenderizing effect of the straight-line silhouettes.

Color: Navy



QUALITY SHOES At Quantity Prices

Ladies' Cotton Stockings Good Values 10c Per Pair

Men's Cotton Hose Good Values 2 Pairs 25c

Footwear for Men, Women and Children. The leather and the tanning processes they pass through, together with the high grade and matchless wearing service. Purchasing for our 371 busy department stores enables us to offer superior shoes to you at the remarkably low prices which our QUANTITY buying permits

Misses' and Children's Shoes For Spring Wear



All chocolate Elk shoes. Half double soles. Half rubber heels. Plain tip as pictured. It's a pleasure to wear them.

8 1/2 to 11 1/2 \$2.98
12 to 2 \$3.50
2 1/2 to 7 \$4.25

One-Strap Button Pumps For Misses and Children



Low shoes of black kid. Perforated tips and circular vamp. A popular style that has won considerable favor.

8 1/2 to 11 1/2 \$1.79
12 to 2 \$1.98
2 1/2 to 7 \$2.49

Broad Toe Work Shoes For Hard and Long Wear



Chocolate Retan whole quarter Bluchers. Made over the Army last. Soft tip. Half double sole, nailed. These durable shoes cost only

4.79

Men's New Dress Oxfords Popular Style Priced Low

Mahogany Lotus oxfords with popular perforated circular vamp and tip. Half rubber heel. Single welt sole. Attractively priced at



\$3.98