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LEGISLATIVE PROPAGANDA.

Considerable impatience is expressed by public officials, with the way propaganda is being organized nowadays to make its impression upon these men. The art of influencing such officials has become a kind of organized game, conducted on systematic principles. Such methods are used both by those who have good causes to promote and those whose ideas are wrong. The promoters of these movements appeal to their followers to write to their congressmen and various officials. Form letters may be furnished which they are supposed to sign and forward. But as that method of expressing their opinion has been overdone, and is not very influential, it is considered more effective if people will all write individual letters expressing their own ideas. These public men must be a good deal perplexed and worried by the contrary appeals that pour in on them. If they take pains to read carefully all these letters, it must take a great deal of time. And yet it is perfectly legitimate for any constituent to write to these people, who are after all the servants of the public. They ought to know the prevailing state of public sentiment, and it is hard to see how they can know it unless people get busy and tell them what they think. It must take a lot of judgment to be a good senator or representative now, and analyze correctly all those appeals and form a correct judgment about them. Many of them are the utterances of thoughtful and sincere people, entitled to great respect. If the congressmen reject them indiscriminately, they will make a great mistake. And many are the work of emotional, cranky, or one idea people. The best way to meet the situation is for our public men to become such thorough students of the big questions, that they will be able to detect shallow and superficial views.

It strikes many persons as remarkable that New York city should have only about one-eighteenth of the population of the United States, yet it pays one-third the income taxes. Some will say it is absorbing more than its share of wealth. It will be claimed that too many people are making money there out of speculation and manipulating financial interests, when they should be assisting directly in more productive work. But people can not usually continue making money unless they render service. New York city has great manufacturing industries, and they must be able to hold their own, or they would have to quit business. One big reason for the growth of big centers, is that the business men hustle a little harder in those places. The same earnest work can accomplish success in a community like Roseburg.

While some sophisticated thinkers claim the Christian church is ceasing to be a power, the number of communicants in these churches increased 800,000 last year. People must find something in these activities that is not contained in the words of the learned professors. And yet the success of a movement is not wholly measured by numbers. The Christian religion conquered the Roman empire 300 years after it was founded, but it grew so popular then that it became more or less corrupted. A small active church trying to carry out the ideas of Jesus, is more of a force than a big one of half hearted adherents.

A good many theatrical people seem to believe that the American public is not willing to think. The Tired Business Man is supposed to demand a melange of pretty girls and frisky jokes. And yet theatrical people say that the plays of Shakespeare are paying better than ever before, and there is more demand for what is called the serious drama. If plays written 300 years ago, so far back that the critics can not even agree who wrote them, will fill the theaters today, anyone who writes plays that deal in a penetrating and dramatic way with our throbbing modern activities, should find an audience.

THE WALKERS.

Some men walk for exercise; doctors tell them it is wise; it will take away the fat from the drooping waist and slat; it is good for wind and limb, it restores the pep and vim, it will tone the flaccid thews, so the walkers ply their shoes, up the hill and down the glen, hoping health will come again. Some men walk because they like all the features of a hike; they find joy in every stride, as they roam the countryside; they explore the wind-swept bluffs, study flowers, examine trees; in all seasons forth they go, in the sunshine and the snow, in the rain and in the mire, having not the blamedest time. Some men walk because they must; they are trudging in the dust, while the goods autos pass, loitering with paint and glass. Pie-fed plutes in hoodlet wagons scoot along the roads and lanes, and wherever they may gaze they behold the weary jays, toiling on their sawyers necks and cursing Mike and Pete. Once the fate that put the bus and the sad, leg-weary cuss faced the world on equal terms, hiring out to rival firms, drawing down an equal salary when the day of pay was come. One was looking far ahead, to the roads he'd have to tread, if he wished the jinx to beat and reside in Easy street. And the other gave no thought to the future, only sought to have nineteen kinds of fun, blowing all his hard-earned mon. Now he walks because he must in the brambles and the dust, and the wiser wight swings by in a car that jars his eye. It is good to walk and walk, on the shingle and the chalk, good to toddle every place—if it's not a groundhog case.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

Hi ho hum—
All mornin' long
We've been putin' off
Writin' this colyum
And after lunch
We were too dern full
And now its only
About ten minutes
Till press time
And the boss has
Threatened to hang
The razzberry on us
If we dont snap
Outa the hop and
Get the ol' gossip mill
Parkin' pretty lively—
So if our bean doesn't
Yield a crop of prunes
In a minute or so
We'll be on the
Retired list tomorrow—
But then that wouldn't
Be so dern bad because
The fishin' season
Opens up then and
We'd a hull lot rather
Be out anglin' fer
The finny tribe than
To be feedin' bait to
Your poor suckers.

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DUMBELL DORA THINKS

We hope our boss quits, then I can git a chanct to have my hair bobbed and my neck washed.

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Lafe Perkins Sez:

"Looks like we're all gonna be outa job tomorry, so I'd better dig some worms."

SERVED PIPIN' HOT!

Our Merchant's Lunch will please you and make the afternoon worth living. You'll find the food at the Palace of Sweets served in a way you like it. Try our 50-cent lunch tomorrow and you'll visit us daily. THE PALACE OF SWEETS.

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE MUST FILE BEFORE APRIL 16

All candidates for state or district offices, which includes the office of state representative, must file the petitions on or before April 16. The law provides that candidates for state offices, or offices representing districts composed of more than one county, must file their petitions with the secretary of state 45 days before the primary election. Portland cuts, statements, and opposing statements for the voters pamphlet must also be in by that date. Candidates for county offices have until April 21 in which to file their petitions with the county clerk, or to file by the payment of the stipulated fee, should they not desire to circulate a petition. Registration closes on April 20 and those who have not registered prior to this time should attend to that matter at once.

UNION PACIFIC PROFITS IN 1925 SHOW INCREASE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, April 14.—Net income of the Union Pacific system in 1925, from all sources, amounted to $48,224,969, the annual report reveals today, exceeding the previous year's total by $2,437,[illegible] surplus for the common stock of the Union Pacific railroad, company, after preferred dividends and sinking fund requirements, was $41,230,659, a gain of $2,067,[illegible], and equivalent to [illegible] per cent on the par value common stock, as [illegible] last year. Net surplus transferred to profit and loss was $12,001,[illegible], compared with $9,[illegible] the year before. Net income from transportation operations increased $2,[illegible].

An increase of $1,772,[illegible] in freight revenue was attributed to heavier crops in region west of the Rocky Mountains and heavier movements of lumber, agricultural implements and automobiles, coupled with material improvement in the mining industry and a continued increase in the oil industry in Union Pacific territory.

Passenger revenue dropped $1,342,816, due partly to continued diversion of local short haul business to motor vehicles.

NORGE WELCOMED AT NORWAY ON WAY TO POLAR REGION

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

OSLO, Norway, April 14.—The dirigible Norge, which will be used by Roald Amundsen-Ellsworth polar expedition, arrived here today after a flight from Pulham, England.

Two airplanes, which flew out to meet the Norge, escorted her toward Oslo. Thousands of persons assembled at the landing point to welcome the dirigible. Among the many dignitaries present was Dr. Carl Wefring, minister of defense.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, April 14.—The meteorological institute here today forecast the approach of bad weather, and it is expected the Norge will remain at Oslo only a few hours.

AMATEUR MATMEN OF COUNTRY WILL VIE AT CORVALLIS

Title Holders Are Listed Among 200 Contestants —Robin Reed Will Enter 12 Men.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 14.—With wrestlers entered already from all sections of the United States and one Canadian province, the National Amateur Athletic Union tournament here April 15-17 promises to be the most representative meet in recent years. Indications are that more than the 200 contestants expected will be entered.

Among national leaders in the sport who will defend their titles or vie for honors are Russell Vis, welterweight Olympic games champion and four times national amateur title holder, and his team mate, Percy Martin, 1924 national champion in the 158 pound class, now with the Los Angeles Athletic Club. Their coach, Walter Miller, is entering a team of six.

Richard Barker, former wrestling coach at the University of Michigan and now at Cornell College, Iowa, is entering Kenneth Trueblinmiller, 147 pound member of the Olympic team. Other Olympic games men from the east entered are: A. H. Studebille, 175 pounds, unattached and Charles D. Strack, heavyweight, Colgate.

Present national title holders entered include Harold Demarsh, 112 pounder from the Cushing, Okla., high school; George Powell, 118; Buel B. Patterson, 126, and L. Brigham, 135 pounds, from Oklahoma; A. M. and R. W. Hammonds, 175, Texas university.

Sectional champions are being entered from Vermont, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Alabama, Saskatchewan, Canada and the Rocky Mountain states. Washington colleges and athletic clubs will be represented while strong competition is expected from California.

Robin Reed, Oregon Agricultural College coach, will enter twelve men who won the Pacific coast intercollegiate title this season. Other Oregon grapplers are entered from Portland, Medford, Oregon City and Corvallis.

Preliminary bouts will be run off the first day with semi-finals and finals scheduled for the second and third days.

Visitors welcome at The Fern greenhouses. Come and see our display.

WAR FILM IS A FINE FEATURE

More than 1,500 local people, men, women and children, twice this and last night saw the national motion picture "Pershing's Crusaders" shown at the Antlers Theatre as a benefit to the American Legion.

Gripping scenes of heroism on the battlefield, actual moving pictures taken at the time during the world war by the Pathe Film Co. signal corps cameraman who risked their lives to get the thrilling scenes, were shown.

The picture was taken by [illegible] and was shown [illegible] in all sections of the country. The [illegible] historical [illegible] on real operations show gallant soldiers [illegible] the Rhine River [illegible] within their shops at [illegible] under that by well directed [illegible] from the [illegible].

Did you see that [illegible] at the point [illegible] a German [illegible] [illegible] The [illegible] a road [illegible] [illegible] on the high road and in the [illegible] the [illegible] taken by [illegible] captured by the allies were shown