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FALSE PRETENSE WAS THE SIN

LOBBYING has come to be recognized as a legitimate activity, whether before congress, a naval limitation conference, a legislature, a government board or whatnot. And that is fair enough. A lobbyist before a public body occupies a position comparable to that of an attorney before a court. He is an advocate of a cause. If he works openly and makes known the interests that he represents no particular fault can be found with him.

But Mr. Shearer, whose activities are now under probe by an investigating committee of the United States senate, did not work openly. At the Geneva conference on limitation of naval armaments, where he did all he could to impede negotiations and promote failure, he pretended that he represented only himself and that his motives were solely patriotic. He wrote while he was there to L. V. Gordon, of the Church Peace union, "I do not represent any company of any kind." But he did represent three American ship-building companies, as he himself has now admitted and as representatives of those companies have testified. He did what he could to help wreck the conference because he knew that course would best promote future contracts to build warships for the United States government. He was working for dollars at the prospective cost of human lives in future wars. He was working directly against the endeavors of his government in international relations. Such a course in time of war would be treason. In time of peace it justifies a scarcely milder term.

In his activities for a big navy before congress Shearer occupied a similarly false and fraudulent position. There again he concealed the fact of his employment by the ship-builders. It is no crime, but a virtue, to advocate an adequate national defense unless there can be international limitation. But Shearer concealed both his true motive and his employment in congressional lobbies. That is why he stands pilloried before the nation. If all of his employers can escape a similar ordeal in the light of disclosures made and to be made they will be in luck.

Work on the new Roseburg hospital is progressing rapidly and the announcement of the opening date will undoubtedly be made soon. The two top floors of the Perkins building are being transformed into what will be one of the finest hospitals in Oregon. The Perkins building was well and spaciouly built in the beginning and was found to be ideally suited for hospital purposes. Thousands of dollars are being spent to provide the utmost in comfort and efficiency in the new hospital which will certainly be a most worthwhile addition to the city. The vision and the courage of the men who are sponsoring this institution and causing it to be built in Roseburg should be rewarded with success.

The American Legion in national session enjoyed a feast of Umpqua valley "Pride of Dillard" cantaloupes. Dr. Stewart, who is attending the convention, writes home that he now realizes that there is a fine possibility of a country-wide market for Umpqua valley cantaloupes.

POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

THE KICKER ALWAYS IN PERIL

The Associated Press brought this laughable story from Moscow. Jerry Gelwick, Moscow cigar store proprietor, has found out that a dog is not always a dog.

Jerry accompanied by some friends, went to the Selway this week on a fishing trip. After a hard day he comfortably tucked away between his blankets for a sound sleep when he heard something brush past his head. He had noticed a little dog in the vicinity earlier in the day, and thought that this animal was looking for a place to spend the night.

As Jerry did not relish the company of the dog he reached out his bare foot and gave the animal a good kick in the ribs. It was a pure case of mistaken identity, for the animal was a porcupine, and for the next few minutes Jerry was busy pulling out quills. He reported that there were 14 quills stuck in his foot.

The next night the little porcupine visited the tent again, but Jerry went after him with a gun. He reports that the animal got away.

This humble little song of mine,
Of Jerry and the porcupine,
Throws quite a light on common life
Amid our varied human strife:
Some folks are kickers bred and born,
Begin to kick at early morn;
They are not careful where they kick—
Too bad there aren't more quills to pick!

I've seen a lot of careless folks
Who from their kicking none could coax;
Who take their kicking as a lark,
And love to kick, even in the dark;
Who kick at friends and strangers, too;
Who kick at everything that's new;
If they could kick a porcupine
I'd help their education, fine!

Poor Jerry Gelwick now is wise:
He'll not forget that fierce surprise
When he kicked out at Fido's ribs
And struck young "Porky's" stinging ribs.
He'd rather let a dog remain
Than risk again that bitter pain.
He's learned a kick comes home to roost;
He'd better give a friendly boost.

Oh, hear me, all disposed to kick,
Come light your lamp at Jerry's wick!
You'd better risk annoying things
Than take the risk of kicking's stings.
The kicker makes no comfy friends;
He's always striking stinging ends;
But he whose life is full of love
Make friends who fit him like a glove.

BRINGING UP FATHER

By Geo. McManus



The OFFICE CAT

Millionaire (to some newspaper men): "I owe all the success to personal pluck, just pluck. Pluck, my men, is the greatest guarantee of success."

Reporter (one not so dumb as the rest): "How do you find the right people to pluck, sir?"

Traveler: "It's a nuisance—these trains are always late."

Resourceful Conductor: "But, my dear, what would be the use of the waiting rooms if they were on time?"

Young man, 20, wishing job on farm: no objections to wages—Wilkes Barre (Pa.) paper.

Any country would look prosperous if all the people were permitted to charge it.

The June bride told her grocer that what she considers the height of irony is to have the phonograph upstairs playing "Why Should I Cry Over You," while she peels onions.

A woman who married an ex-convict "to reform him" finally gave it up as a bad job and shot him. A jury held the homicide justifiable, chiefly on the theory that the man needed killing.

Last Call.
"Hunk," said she, severely, "how many more times are you going to ask me to marry you?"

"Clara," he said, "I can't answer that question, but I don't think I'll bother you much longer. One of the other three girls I'm proposing to shows signs of weakening."

Doctor says men who smoke are liable to have anything. We say everything except matches.

A Los Angeles woman was refused a divorce from her husband because he would not speak to her for 15 days. Maybe he was waiting for a chance to speak.

Success requires more than ambition. It requires the will and desire to succeed, backed by intelligently direct effort. One must not only know where to go, but how to get there. There is such a thing as running in the wrong direction.

An ordinance at Nancy, France, forbids use of the saxophone after 10 p. m. That country certainly is progressing.

Or a Strong Man Either.
"Pa!"
"Yes, my son?"
"What is a flapper?"
"A flapper, my son, is a woman who does what an old maid would like to do and has not the constitution to stand it."

Traveling man to the conductor: "Is this a fast train?"
Conductor, with an injured air: "Of course it is."

Traveling man: "I thought so. Would you mind finding out what it is fast to?"
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EDITORIALS ON THE DAY'S NEWS

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It isn't done that way. Getting rich isn't so simple.

BRAIN IS THE RULER OF THE HUMAN BODY

Nervous System Determines How the Organs Will Function, But Care of the Body Is Essential to An Active Brain, Says Authority.

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

United States Senator from New York.

Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

THERE are problems relating to breathing, to the circulation of the blood, and many other functions of the human body. We speak of each function as if it were something separate and apart from all the rest. Of course it is, in a sense, but there could be no function of any sort without the nervous system.

If you drive an automobile, you know how helpless you are if there is no "spark." If the battery fails or the electric wires get crossed, the machine stops. It can't be coaxed to run.

Did you ever stand in the wheelhouse of a great steamship? If you did, you noticed that the captain pulled this lever or that, he touched this button or that, and in response to his signals, the giant ship slowed down, reversed and perhaps turned round on her course. Every department and activity of the vessel is under the control of the captain. He is the supervising genius.

All these examples of central control, are reminders of the control the brain has over the body and its functions. The wires that connect the wheel house with the engine room and other parts of the ship, are like the nerves that run from the brain and spinal cord to every part and every organ of the body.

The brain, spinal cord and many nerves make up the "nervous system." The operation of this system determines what shall be done by muscles, bones, digestion, heart, lungs and all the other organs.

But the brain is more than the wheelhouse. It is the captain, too. It does the thinking, as well as the giving of the orders. It determines what every part of the body shall do and then orders it to act. It regulates all the movements of the muscles. It determines the speed of every function. It presides over the destinies of the individual.

There is an old saying that "action is equal to reaction." Every act we perform reacts in some way. There is a mutual dependency of our various parts. Every part is concerned with and affected by all the other parts. Even though the brain provides over all the rest of the organs, it, too, is dependent on their successful operation. Unless the food is properly digested and assimilated, unless the blood carries away the poisons and takes on the oxygen, the brain is not nourished and stimulated to do its kingly part.

The best brain food is the food that best nourishes the body. When the body is well kept the brain will be cured for properly. Sleep, exercise, good air, sunlight, rest, recreation and all the things that make for physical health, make also for a well-nourished brain and alertness of mind.

Q. C. G. Q.—What causes the throat to get dry and sore after reading aloud?

A.—This is due to continuously using the vocal chords, which you are not accustomed to doing over any length of time.

E. F. B. Q.—Can a person increase the height by exercises?

A.—This may help.

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Good Manners

By MRS. CORNELIUS BEECKMAN

A Criticism of Handwriting
DEAR MRS. BEECKMAN:

Will you help me by criticizing this letter freely, particularly my handwriting? I am anxious to improve my handwriting, sufficient to at least make it legible. Most of my work calls for writing and I must use some speed.

I realize my handwriting is poor, and I am frequently reminded that it is not sufficiently legible to satisfy my superiors. I must improve it soon. Will you do your best to help me? Maybe you can suggest some place where proper instruction can be secured in the evening?

I have written to you for assistance because your column has consistently had a sensible and sincere ring to it, and I do believe you can help me.

YOU are very kind to come to me for assistance, and I am proud and glad to try to help you. I am extremely interested in a good looking handwriting, for to me it is one of the most "civilized" items to possess.

I cannot understand why your superiors should maintain that your handwriting is not legible, for to me it is supremely so. However, you have such an excellent foundation for a perfect handwriting that perhaps we could find a way to improve it. In the first place, I am so happy that you write from the hand, for little I think can be done to make a back-hand writing good looking or (usually) legible.

I believe that you could be more scrupulously careful about the for-



DR. COPELAND

should be some member of her family, and she is fortunate to have a father and brother to walk with in this walk of sorrow.

2. It is not necessary, and not now customary, for her to wear a veil, but she may if it will afford any comfort to her. A face veil is often worn, rarely a long veil. She should wear gloves.

(Mrs. Beeckman will be glad to answer questions on etiquette submitted by readers.)

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Serve fruits and vegetables daily. Serve milk drinks and milk desserts. Add a little sugar also in preparing meat dishes, gravies and soups, and notice the better flavor. Sugar is the supreme seasoning. Good food promotes good health. The Sugar Institute.

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