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H. G. Wells Heaves a Brick

H. G. WELLS, the sometimes genial but often peevish writer of old England, is furnishing for the Portland Oregonian a series of signed articles. In effect he says in his last article that within the last fifty years both faith and chastity have nearly vanished and that we now scorn such regulations as "ye shall not" and "ye shall."

Wells loves to write things like that. He likes to stand off and say "BOO!" at a serious-minded hardworking world, just to see what it will do.

Have things so changed? No, not so very much, if you look at things squarely. Rather we have changed for the better, morally, if the written histories of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries are to be believed. The very laxity of those ages was largely responsible for the reversion to terrific strictness and so it goes.

If people, generation after generation, accumulated the attributes and mental habits of previous generations, Wells' conclusions that all is now changed and that faith and other human attributes which we call virtues, have been cast overboard, might furnish food for worry and thought. New generations come along, though, and do their own thinking—particularly now do they do their own thinking.

Wells correctly says that we are inquiring more into facts of this and that now more than ever before. In the opinion of this writer, Mr. Wells falls down in his interpretation of what this original thinking will lead to. He thinks it means what he calls "freedom" and what we would call a moral breakdown.

Faith, both orthodox religious faith and blind trusting faith of the non-religious mind, is stronger in the world today than before. We have no figures or other arguments to substantiate that statement—only a question: Do you find in the written or spoken word today as much of atheism as there was even a few years ago? The horrors, losses and sufferings of the World war created atheism out of bitterness but on have come the young people leavening this bitterness with an active interest in the sweetness of life—helping those embittered to forget. Faith shall live on in spite of Mr. Wells, for we are created to have faith.

Says Mr. Wells: "We are now confronted with a new generation which finds no value in faith and no virtue in chastity."

Tommyrot! We have some twenty or thirty centuries of accurate record of human experience behind us and now someone says there is "no virtue in chastity."

There has always been and always will be a great price, many prices, paid by those foolish individuals who trifle carelessly with the thing we call sex. No "shifting of the standards of morality" as Wells puts it, can eliminate or lessen one whit the consequences resulting in what, in spite of Mr. Wells, we shall call immorality.

Writings like those of Mr. Wells only serve to get weakly foolish and careless people into trouble. The world has never tolerated sex immorality and it never will, but if there is any present trend it is a sure trend toward limiting the consequences of the immoral act to the individual. This enlightened trend toward placing the responsibility and consequences where they belong will serve as nothing else to check the laxness which Mr. Wells attributes to the present generation.

If Mr. Wells is right (and we think not) and there is a laxness and a looseness prevalent in the world today—it is too bad for the generation of the present but predicts most surely an improvement in the future.

Oregon Editors' Opinions

The Summer Heat
(Salem Statesman)

THE heat in the east has been terrible this season. Some have died, others have gone loco. Its effect may persist like the war-time influenza. Shall we attribute to the heat of summer the announced vagaries of two of the country's literary critics?

H. L. Mencken, caustic critic, editor of the American Mercury, and contributor to papers and magazines, is engaged to be married and chooses for his bride Sara Powell Haardt, a writer for popular magazines. A confirmed bachelor of 50, whose heart as revealed in his writings resembles a dried pea, is stepping out into matrimony. What a shock to the intelligensia, to the literary guild and to the dear public who have been fed so long on Mencken's acid phrases.

Then Heywood Broun, contributor to the "Nation" and the New York Telegram, is becoming a candidate for congress. Broun contributes a weekly page to the "Nation" entitled "It Seems to Heywood Broun." How delectable it would be to have him write as a member of congress, a socialist at that. Broun, like Mencken, succeeds in finding most everything wrong and out of joint. He would probably find plenty more material if he should by any mischance get sent to congress.

Now here is a question about as good as Edison's desert question: Which is worse, for Mencken to get married or Broun go to congress?

Concentration
(La Grande Observer)

"I do not play golf. In fact, I'm afraid I am nothing but a tennis player," Mrs. Helen Wills Moody told reporters upon her return from conquests abroad.

Few champions excel in more than one field. The Jack-of-all-trades does nothing best, yet who does not wish, at times, that he were accomplished in all things?

But the "Nothing-buts" are the proudest company.

There was Socrates. He told friend and foe alike: "I am not a teacher nor yet a poet, nor yet a rhetorician or lawyer or pleader or pretender to any superior learning. I am nothing but a seeker after truth."

"This one thing I do," the Apostle Paul told his followers, thus placing himself among the illustrious "nothing-buts."

And so might the list be lengthened with the names of the great specialists of the world and of all time—Galileo and Newton and Columbus and Washington.

All great men and women have acknowledged themselves nothing in great spheres of knowledge and endeavor, and in that lay the source of their greatness. They reaped the rewards of concentration, of idealism, of devotion and perseverance.

We Hope We Never Have to Do This!
(Medford Daily News)

The editor of a small-town newspaper explains the loss of the letter "s" from his composing room as follows:

Lath night thome thneaking thcoundrel thtole into our compothing room and pilfered the cabineth of all the eththeth. Therefore we would like to take advantage of thith opportunity to apologize to our readerth for the general inthipid appearance of our paper. We would like altho to thtate that if at any time in the yearth to come we thould thee thith dirty thnake in the grath about our premitheth, it will be our complete and thorough thatithfaction to thoot him full of holeth. Thank you! — Patton's Monthly.

Editorials on News
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tion per cow is well under 200 pounds per year.

THESE facts DON'T get black headlines. They are printed in very few newspapers and therefore are read by very few people.

Yet the fact that in two counties of Oregon average butterfat production per cow has been brought up until it is now more than DOUBLE the average for the entire state is INFINITELY more important than the tiring of a few traffic officers.

FIRING a few traffic officers and giving their jobs to somebody else means nothing to the prosperity of Oregon, and therefore means nothing to you and to me in the way of added ability to pay our bills.

But doubling the average butterfat production of all the dairy cows of Oregon would mean putting the dairy industry of this state on a sound and prosperous footing. It would mean that dairymen would have more to spend and so could BUY more from the rest of us.

Putting dairying on a sound and prosperous footing in Oregon would mean large expansion of dairying in this state, which would mean bringing in new population and new wealth, thus changing wholly the agricultural and industrial outlook in this oldest of the states of the Pacific coast.

PERHAPS one of the things wrong with us, one of the reasons why we do not advance industrially and agriculturally as rapidly as we want to, is that we pay too much attention to things that don't amount to much and TOO LITTLE attention to things that are really tremendously important.

BEATING STOPS BABY'S CRYING, SAYS ITS FATHER

PORTLAND, Aug. 6.—A hearing was to be held today in district court for Jesse L. Jones, 26, arrested yesterday at Beaverton on a charge of assault and battery of his seven-months-old son, James.

"It bawls and bawls and it's the only way to quiet it," Jones told reporters.

The infant, in court, was found to bear welts and bruises alleged to have been inflicted by its father. The Oregon Humane society signed the warrant.

BRINGING UP FATHER

By Geo. McManus

Maybe I'm Wrong
By J. P. MEDBURY

THE fellow who spends all his money at kissing bazaars should realize that charity begins at home.

Take It or Leave It—Many a three letter man got his reputation on I. O. U.'s.

Matrimonial Martyrs—The henpecked husband who even had to put his tombstone in his wife's name.

Excuse It Please—Bachelors are the only men who understand women. That's probably why they're bachelors.

Sausage Slogan—"Eat our frank furters—made from contented canines."

Ode to a Bathing Beauty—A stitch in time saves a reprimand from the censor.

Necessary Evils—Delicatessens were invented so that housewives could play bridge a couple of hours later in the afternoon.

You Said It—It won't be long now until the reformers will want the big dipper replaced by a sanitary drinking cup.

Today's Tightwad—The miser who got married last week and wanted to match the bride to see who'd pay the minister.

Our Own Vaudeville—Producer: Is your play an up-to-date drama? Author: Yes, the servants are changed in every act.

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Talks on Health
By DR. R. S. COPELAND

NEXT time you walk down the street make note of the persons who appear to have sore feet. You will marvel at the numbers of limping, hobbling, mincing foot cripples.

There are many causes: corns, bunions, in-growing toe-nails, callouses, scraped heels. One or more of these ailments will make the feet sore and incapable of normal use.

There are two reasons for all such disturbances. Neglect of the feet and the wrong sort of shoes—in one of these lies the trouble.

When you go to bed at night or get up in the morning, you do not fail to wash the face and hands. Why should not the feet have an equal share of attention? They travel in dust and dirt, in wind and water. Their use is such that a single day will soil them far more than the hands. On this account they should be bathed in water with soap. Each day should see the feet thoroughly cleansed. To soak them in salt and water will relieve many an ache and pain.

There should be regular trimming of the nails. If done carefully, shaving of the corns and removal of the callouses will do much to promote happiness. If you do not feel competent to treat your own feet you may consult a "podiatrist" or trained chirodopist. A dollar or two paid him will prove a profitable investment.

But even though you wash, dry and powder your feet regularly, they will continue to bother you if they are not well shod. It pays to purchase good shoes. Don't be coaxed into taking any others.

The writings and preachings of health experts have taught the public to read the labels on food packages. It has come to be known that what you eat is vitally important. It is time now to teach the public that there is much to learn about shoes.

It is a good thing to talk to your dealer and find out what is a good shoe and what isn't. He will gladly point out the many valuable points about the fitting of your foot covering.

Read the newspapers and magazines. Study the advertisements. You can learn much in this way about everything you intend to purchase.

When you are attracted by the statements made about this shoe or that go to the store where it is sold. See how the article looks. Try on the shoes, both shoes, and see how they feel and look. Make sure of fit and quality.

It pays to care for the feet. You have but two and will never have more. You may be uncomfortable whenever you walk. If this is the case it is probable your shoes are wrong. Take the best of care of your feet and they will serve you well all your life.

Answers to Health Queries

M. S. D. Q.—What do you advise for asthma?

A.—I would suggest that you have your teeth, tonsils, nasal sinuses and urine examined. Constipation should be corrected. Avoid dust and violent exertion. Take lots of fresh air day and night. In all probability you suffer from some form of food poisoning. Strange as this may seem, asthma is frequently due to one of the common foods acting as an irritant to the system.

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Miss O. A. Q.—How can I reduce?

2.—What should a girl weight who is 15½ years old, and five feet 2 inches tall?

3.—What can be done for constipation?

A.—Weight reduction is merely a matter of self-control as regards the diet. For further particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and repeat your question.

2.—For her age and height she should weigh about 112 pounds.

3.—The diet should be corrected. Most important of all, foods unduly rich in fats and starches should be avoided.

Advice to Girls
By NANCY LEE

DEAR NANCY LEE:
I am twenty-two years old and am in love with a nice young man twenty-six years of age. We have been keeping company steadily for three years. Now he very seldom spoke of marriage. Of course, he would give me an understanding he couldn't get married yet. This was at first when we started to go together. So on my birthday he surprised me with a diamond ring and told me he expects to be married some time during the summer. So I am wondering whether it is a sign of engagement or not. He didn't say, and I was too nervous to ask. I am afraid to wear it, because if people ask me I don't know what to say. So please, Nancy Lee, advise me what to do, as I wish to find out. Do you think it proper to ask him or would you advise me not to wear the ring? WONDERING.

WONDERING: I should imagine a little adroit questioning would reveal what you want to know. A diamond ring is generally considered a token of betrothal, unless it is distinctly understood that it is just a "friendship ring." As things are, I should think you are entitled to consider yourself engaged, and you should certainly wear the ring.

DEAR NANCY LEE:
I am a young girl sixteen years of age and a junior in high school. I am interested in a young fellow in my class. Up till a few days ago I was sure he cared for me. I have reason to think he is interested in some one else because of his attitude toward me. Really, Nancy Lee, I still think I like this young fellow. Please don't tell me to forget him and give my attention to my studies. It has no effect on my studies. Thanking you in advance for your advice.

A SCHOOLGIRL.

A SCHOOLGIRL: If you insist on taking a schoolgirl and boy affair seriously, who am I to stop you? And if you care to think and dream about a boy who is interested in another girl, well, that's your privilege. I am not worrying much about you, for we all get over much worse blows in life without being any the worse for the experience. So, come back to earth and get some fun out of your young years, unless, of course, you get a bigger joy out of being heartsick.

Around the County

Purebred Hogs Prove Profitable to Garden Valley Farmer; Raises Own Feed.

By R. R. WOOD

After growing fruit for some years, and suffering low prices, ingating bugs and all sorts of tree diseases during that time militating against possibilities of large dividends, Wm. H. Harrison, a resident of Garden Valley, decided to forego horticultural pursuits and try another line of endeavor. He rustled around and got enough cash on hand to buy a few pure bred O. I. C. hogs and started in on a small scale, right there is where success came his way. Pulling out the trees that comprised his orchard, he planted the land to corn, artichokes and alfalfa. He took the best of care of those hogs, and they thrive on the diversified feed provided and soon Harrison had a nice drove of O. I. C. swine. He crossed the brood sows with the best males of the breed he could get, and in a little while had not only a lot of desirable porkers but buyers came in for the best individuals for foundation stock for their farms. At present the Harrison brood sows are headed by a boar from the famous world champion "Montana Rex," that was lately exhibited at the Portland International, and demand for breeding stock has been so persistent that Mr. Harrison finds it hard to keep up with orders, despite the fact that he has more than thirty females in his herd. He informed this writer that during the past eighteen months he has sold $3000 worth of stock from this herd, every one a registered individual.

Mr. Harrison has several acres of Oregon Yellow Dent corn coming on that he will feed, and this corn is a great yielder and therefore profitable to grow. In addition, he is growing genuine Jerusalem artichokes, which normally yield from ten to 12 tons per acre, and they are a great feed for hogs. Not only that, but artichokes are a wonderful vegetable for human consumption, and Harrison alleges they are a cure for diabetics. This farmer is preparing to broaden out in his activities, and lately has purchased a farm a mile from Canyonville. He will move there in the near future. On the Canyonville place he will grow more alfalfa, in addition to corn and artichokes, and expects to increase his number of brood sows in order to be able to supply the demand for pure breds. It will do any lover of pure bred stock good to talk with this genial old farmer, who is bubbling over with enthusiasm for the best in live stock.

BILLINGS WILL BE BROUGHT TO COURT

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 5.—Chief Justice William H. Waste today announced Warren K. Billings, preparedness day bomber whose pardon plea is being heard by the supreme court justices, will be brought from his lifer's cell in Folsom prison before the court some time later in the hearing.

YOUTH STRUCK BY SLICED GOLF BALL

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 5.—Struck by a golf ball sliced from the tee into an orchard where he was working, Donald Raven, 10, was in a hospital today suffering a fractured skull. C. McKenzie, Washougal, Wash., sliced the ball into the orchard. The ball struck a tree trunk, glanced and hit Raven.

GUARDSMAN SLAIN WHEN MISTAKEN FOR RUM RUNNER

BOSTON, Aug. 5.—Boatswain Lewis E. Pratt of the Salisbury beach coast guard station was fatally wounded by bullets from another coast guard boat out of Gloucester last night, when his surf boat was mistaken for a rum runner near the mouth of the Ipswich river, Ipswitch, Mass. Early reports had indicated the shots were fired from a rum vessel.

Pratt died at Ipswich hospital a few hours after a fellow guardsman had brought their craft into Little Neck, a summer residential section of Ipswich.

ROSEBURG BARBER CLAN BANQUETS

Barber shop owners and employees and beauty parlor operators enjoyed a very delightful banquet at Silvernook Grill last night. There were twenty-three persons present and all spent a very pleasant evening. Ray Last, district organizer for the union was present and gave an interesting talk, discussing changes in barber and beauty shop methods, sanitation and proposed legislation affecting the industry.

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