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CLEANUP DAY NECESSARY.

It is human to grow careless with sanitation in alleys, yards and barns. Some stimulus is needed occasionally to fire that dormant spark of love for scrupulous cleanliness without doors to an equality with every ordinary home's attention to cleanliness within doors. Hence it is only reasonable to expect that when the Neighborhood club and Tuesday Musical club co-operate with the city in instilling interest in cleanup day one week away, the city will be combed with fine teeth to find alleys that are improperly kept; to find yards littered with disease breeding filth. Every home has a part to perform and that is to assist in a general cleanup of the city which needs it as much as the physical body needs toning up with a wholesome tonic once in a while.

TO PROHIBIT THE PARLOR MATCH

The campaign the fire prevention interests have been making against the incendiary match now promises to develop into the effective stage. A great deal of public sentiment has been worked up against the parlor match, with the thousands of distressing fatalities and millions of losses for which its flying heads are responsible. The match manufacturers have seen the rising tide of sentiment and are now ready to co-operate in enforcing reasonable restrictions to reduce the hazards of their product. Bills were introduced in several states this bidding the use of parlor matches year. These were defeated as impracticable in some of their details, but in their place a new measure has been

introduced which has been endorsed by the sponsors of the original legislation. The bill will not be opposed by the match manufacturers in general, although it materially increases their cost, since they recognize the justice of the charges made against the hazardous match.

The new measure positively prohibits the manufacturers, storage, sale and distribution of white phosphorus single-dip and strike any where matches of the type generally known as the "parlor" match. It also prohibits the use of all types of matches which will ignite when stepped upon or will shoot off burning particles, the measure describing the degree of tenacity the heads must maintain to prevent this feature which has been responsible for the bulk of the match fires. The bill, in addition, to outlawing the parlor match, prevents the marketing of defective goods in boxes not plainly marked as such, which will put an end to the common practice of manufacturers of selling defective matches in job lots to the cheap retail trade. The bill also regulates the packing and storing of matches, together with the number of matches in a box and the number of boxes in a base, as well as the size and material of the packing case, in these regards complying with the regulations made by the interstate commerce commission and the bureau for the transportation of explosives.

The agitation to prevent loss by fires has been conducted by the insurance companies of the United States for several months. They realize that if they can minimize or reduce the number of fires and the losses, they will be the gainers thereby. Their object is two-fold, selfish on one hand and as a benefit to the community on the other.

We feel constrained to say that if the insurance companies were more careful in the taking of risks, that many fires, the origin of which is now put down as "unknown" would be prevented. In the scramble for business, agents over-insure business stocks, household goods and other insurable property, and thereby hold out a standing invitation to the persons insured to fall to exercise the care against fire which he would otherwise show, providing his property were insured for only half its value, or not at all.

Freeholders who missed the opportunity of inspecting the school system of La Grande today overlooked something that would act as a tonic on the chronic kicker at school taxes. Development of the plastic brain is the product of any nin-com-koop school but to develop the finger tips at the same ratio and in conjunction with the brain, is education; that is the basic principle of La Grande's schools.

It seems queer that a little overdose of rain should bring on such a howl of despair and woe as one hears in and about Union county. It is raining all over the country sporadically at least, so why not grin and bear it? Complaint only emphasizes what few discomforts there may result.

Two machines have been installed in the United States treasury to wash money. Undoubtedly the Lorimer and Stephenson consignments will receive first consideration.

The stork is said to be responsible for the disbanding of a Chicago whist club. Why not give him a chance at the militant suffragists?

A Michigan suicide left word that his wife had "talked him to death." But why didn't he get a job instead of listening to her all day.

New York women have gone in for economy. They are purchasing their provisions personally and carrying them home in taxicabs.

It is hard to believe that the hydro-aeroplane can be made safe so long as it has a name like that.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- May 3.
- 1655—England took Jamaica from the Spanish.
- 1747—British fleet under Admiral Anson captured the French fleet off Cape Finistere.
- 1814—Bourbon dynasty restored in France, following the banishment of Napoleon to Elba.
- 1816—James McHenry, secretary of war in Washington's cabinet, died in Baltimore. Born in Ireland, Nov. 16, 1753.
- 1820—Congress organized the first committee on agriculture.
- 1845—Thomas Hood, famous English poet, died. Born May 23, 1798.
- 1859—France declared war, to expel the Austrians from Italy.
- 1861—President Lincoln called for 42,034 volunteers for three years and added 22,714 men to the regular army and 18,000 to the navy.
- 1872—Liberal republicans in convention at Cincinnati nominated Horace Greeley for president of the United States.

"THIS IS MY 69TH BIRTHDAY."
Archbishop Prendergast.
Most Rev. Edmund F. Prendergast, archbishop of Philadelphia, was born in Clonmell, Tipperary, Ireland, May 3, 1843. He came to the United States in 1859 and studied for the Catholic priesthood at the seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, in Philadelphia. He was ordained in 1865 and was assigned as assistant at St. Paul's church in Philadelphia. He served in various charges in eastern Pennsylvania until 1874, when he was made rector of St. Malachy's church in Philadelphia. Fourteen years ago he was made auxiliary bishop of Philadelphia, and several years later Archbishop Ryan appointed him administrator of the archdiocese, to take effect at the death of the archbishop. Upon the death of Archbishop Ryan a year ago Bishop Prendergast succeeded him as archbishop and Metropolitan of Pennsylvania.

STEERAGE FOLKS IGNORANT

Knew Nothing of the Disaster Occurring to Titanic Until Water Came.
New York, May 3.—That the steerage passengers on board the Titanic knew nothing of the accident which had befallen the vessel until a torrent of water rushed into their quarters was the testimony given to Senator Smith, chairman of the Titanic investigating committee of the senate, by Daniel Buckley, aged 21, county of Cork, Ireland who was a steerage passenger. Buckley said one of the stewards warned the steerage passengers they had better hurry to the upper deck unless they wanted to drown.

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