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BEST AND "EFFICIENCY ENGI-  
NEERING."

"Efficiency engineering" is the term which has been invented to describe the science by which the greatest amount of productive effort is secured from the individual workman. Some of the labor leaders have jumped at the wrongful conclusion that because the system helps the employer it injures the workman. The real fact is that it helps both. The workman under the new system puts brains into his labor. Thus he takes more interest and as his interest increases his efficiency increases. "Efficiency engineering" is the phrase that included all the many methods which have been put into effect for encouraging and holding interest in work.

It is probable that the efficiency engineers never will be able to invent a more reliable and efficacious device for accomplishing this end than the old-fashioned vacation. The best part of the vacation, if it is long enough, is that a man is just as willing to come back as he was to go away. His work calls to him. He feels when he plays that it is more than ever appealing, demanding his best efforts, his strongest loyalty, his keenest enthusiasm. While he was left with no qualms, and indeed with joy, it seems like a friend after a few weeks or a month of absence.

It is likely that the future will see an increased realization of the dollar and cents value of the vacation. The intelligent employer today recognizes it as his best friend, paying handsome dividends for the capital invested. It makes of the old routine something new and fresh, something worthy of time, attention and perseverance. Under its tonic stimulation the employe gives more for every dollar paid him.

"THIS IS MY 71ST BIRTHDAY."

Bishop Byrne.  
Rt. Rev. Thomas Sebastian Byrne, Bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Nashville, Tenn., was born in Hamilton, O., July 29, 1841. When 11 years of age circumstances compelled him to quit school and go to work. Before he had attained his majority he became an expert machinist. At 20 he abandoned his trade and decided to prepare for the priesthood. He attended the Seminary of St. Thomas at Bardonia, Ky., and later St. Mary's of the West, graduating in 1865. Three years were spent in the American college in Rome and then he returned to Cincinnati and was ordained in 1869. For nine years Father Byrne was a professor at St. Mary's seminary in Cincinnati, which position he quit to become rector of St. Peter's cathedral in the same city. He was named as head of the Nashville diocese in 1894 and was consecrated bishop on July 25 of that year.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- July 29.  
1544—Pope Urban VIII, whose policy determined the result of the Thirty Years' War, died. Born in 1568.  
1794—Three men were publicly hanged for murder on Boston Common.  
1806—First general assembly of Indiana territory met at Vincennes.  
1811—Richard Bache, a wealthy Philadelphia merchant who married the only daughter of Benjamin Franklin, died. Born in England Sept. 4, 1737.  
1822—John S. Pillsbury, governor of Minnesota 1876-82, born in Sutton, N. H. Died in Minneapolis, Oct. 18, 1901.  
1853—Rev. Joseph S. Alemany made Roman Catholic archbishop of California.  
—Thomas J. Rusk, United States senator from Texas 1846-67 died in Nacogdoches, Texas. Born

- in South Carolina, Dec. 5, 1803.  
1871—John Silldell, one of the confederates states commissioners, seized on the steamer Trent, died in London. Born in New York in 1793.  
1884—The Imperial Federation of Great Britain and her colonies formed in London.  
1891—Canadian house of commons rejected a motion in favor of unrestricted reciprocity with the United States.  
1900—King Humbert I. of Italy assassinated at Monza.  
1911—Sir Wilfrid Laurier dissolved the Canadian parliament, preparatory to the general election on the reciprocity issue.

HALTED THE FIGHT.

Humor Proved the Victor In the  
Duel at the Spout.

A TALE OF OLD TIME POLITICS

Colonel Fitzhugh's Chivalry in Scoring  
Both Whigs and Democrats Won Him  
a Challenge, and the Weapons He Selected Averted the Meeting.

In a book long out of print a contributor to the New York Sun has found a tale of old Maryland politics which shows that, the Knight of La Mancha to the contrary notwithstanding, an almost extravagant ideal of chivalrous conduct is not incompatible with a keen sense of humor. Colonel Fitzhugh of Chisvert county was a pattern of generosity and nobility of character. He was once a candidate for office. In those days it was the custom for rival candidates to stump the county together and speak from the same platform. On a certain occasion Colonel Fitzhugh and his opponent were to speak in joint debate. When the day came his rival did not appear. The people assembled and grew impatient. Finally Colonel Fitzhugh, taking out his big watch and glancing at it, got up and delivered his speech. In it he took all the liberties that a gentleman of the Democratic party might take with Whig principles and closed amid prolonged cheers.

As he was concluding he received a message that the rival candidate was critically ill. Colonel Fitzhugh looked round for a representative of the Whig party who might take the place of the sick man, but could not discover one. Finally the colonel rose again with the announcement that he believed in fair play. He said that as his opponent could not be there to reply to the arguments that he himself had advanced and as there was nobody of his political faith to take his place he would himself deliver a speech for the sick man. He added that he would keep his watch open before him to see that he gave just as much time to his opponent's cause as he had given to his own.

He then began. If he had scored the Whigs he now scolded the Democrats. If the Whigs had been men of broken promises, of smirched reputations, tricksters and rogues the Democrats were now liars, thieves and murderers. From the Whig point of view the address was masterly. But among his own partisans there were some who refused to see that the colonel was doing anything chivalrous and who were unable to appreciate the real humor of the situation.

One Democrat in particular, whose name tradition has not handed down, was much offended. The next morning he sent his seconds to the colonel with a challenge. As no explanation would satisfy him, the colonel reluctantly named his seconds, who accepted the challenge. The Spout—a stream of water that gushed from the side of a hill on St. Leonard's creek—was selected as the place of the duel. The time appointed was the following morning at 8 o'clock.

When the challenger and his seconds side up to the Spout a little before 8 o'clock they found the colonel and his seconds, but could see nothing that looked like weapons of any kind. On the beach near the Spout, however, there was a big iron kettle steaming away over a fire that was being industriously fed with cordwood by two of the colonel's darkies.

"Where are the weapons?" demanded one of the challenger's seconds.  
"Colonel Fitzhugh as the challenger party has the right to select the weapons," was the reply. "They will be produced at the proper time."

When the seconds agreed that the time for the duel had come Colonel Fitzhugh approached the pot, holding his hands behind him. The challenger, advancing in turn, demanded to know what the weapons were to be.

"Mr. Blank," said the colonel, "the ammunition is in the pot. The weapons are behind my back. This pot contains boiling pea soup. Here are two ladles. I propose to give you one of them, and I will keep the other. I propose that you take your stand on the other side of the pot and that we drink hot pea soup at each other until

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one or the other has had enough.  
"But this is ridiculous, sir, ridiculous!" exclaimed the other.  
"Not more ridiculous, sir," gently remonstrated Colonel Fitzhugh, "than your quarrel with me."  
"The other saw the point, and they shook hands.  
Quite Solid.  
"Let me see a plain wedding ring."  
"Solid?"  
"You bet I'm solid. We've been engaged more'n a month."  
Love keeps no ledger of its services.—  
Christian Herald.

### TO PERFECT THIRD PARTY

(Continued from page one)

Tammany candidate for governor. Supreme Court Justice Victor J. Dowling probably would be acceptable to the up-the-state leaders and one or two others probably will be considered.

Leader Murphy in accordance with his custom, is sitting tight and awaiting developments before making public the Tammany choice for the governorship. Mayor Gaynor is believed to be willing to accept the nomination, but it is said that Murphy is not quite sure whether he wants the mayor at Albany. Governor Dix is in the field for a renomination, but whether he is to have the support of Tammany is a question still unanswered. Others whose names are being discussed in connection with the democratic nomination for governor are William Temple Emmet and State engineer John A. Bensell.

Helena, Mont. July 29.—A state convention of the third party supporters in Montana met here today to elect delegates to the coming national convention in Chicago.

Gathering at Kansas City.  
Kansas City, Mo., July 29.—Delegates are arriving here for the state convention of Roosevelt supporters tomorrow. The convention will elect delegates from Missouri to the National Progressive convention at Chicago. It also will organize a state committee and settle the question of putting a state ticket in the field.

Texas Socialists to Hear Seidel.  
Grand Saline, Tex., July 29.—Emil Seidel of Milwaukee, vice presidential nominee of the socialist party, is among the prominent speakers scheduled to address the ninth annual Texas socialist encampment, which opened at Progress Park here today with an attendance of visitors from all over the state. The gathering will last a week.

WANTED—Men with teams to haul wood. Call Black 545. 7-29-12

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Bids Wanted.  
Sealed bids will be received until August 10th for the exclusive privilege of selling candy, cigars, etc., in the grand stand, and the following exclusive privileges on the fair grounds during fair week:

Merry-Go-Round,  
Restaurant,  
Souvern Concession,  
Dancing Platform,  
The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.  
A. B. CHERRY,  
Assistant Secretary.  
7-29-12  
Notice for Sale of Improvement Bonds.  
Notice is hereby given that the city of La Grande, Union county, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the purchase of improvement bonds in the sum of \$11,378.97, bonds in denomination of \$500.00 each, bearing 6 per cent interest per annum, up to 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, July 31, 1912; said proposals to be filed with

the recorder of the city and to be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount bid. The successful bidder will be required to pay for said bonds within ten days after notice that said bonds are ready for delivery.  
C. M. HUMPHREYS,  
Recorder of the City of La Grande,  
7-23-6t

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