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THE WORKERS AND THE JOB

The building industry is interested in a bill recently introduced in congress by Senator Clapp of Minnesota. It is known as Bill S. 5180, and its general purpose is to bring employers and employees into close touch with one another.

The bill provides briefly, that the postmaster general shall be authorized to establish at all presidential postoffices mutual employment exchanges, where registers may be kept of any and all persons who make application to be registered, as either seeking employment or employees. This information is to be exchanged between the postoffices, in the interest of the proper and timely distribution of labor throughout the country.

There is a provision that this mutual employment exchange shall be self-sustaining through the sale of registration stamps. It is the intention to make the stamps pay for the clerical help that will be necessary to take care of the registers, which are to be posted in some systematic order in the main room of each post-office where such mutual employment exchanges are established.

Considered broadly, this could be made one of the most effective of the government's many activities. Surely governments can do nothing of greater importance than to bring the man and the job together at the least possible expense and with the utmost celerity. The Clapp bill, when elaborated, can be made of the utmost effectiveness in distributing labor, thus avoiding a glutted labor market at one place and a scarcity of workers at another.

This is a perfectly legitimate function of government. Rather, it is peculiarly a function which we should expect government to undertake; for no nation is so well off as when all its men are at work and producing wealth. And when government takes hold of this employment exchange the worker will have every confidence in this exchange and be assured that he is not being made the innocent victim of self-seeking exploiters, who desire only to secure from him a fee for services which never result in getting the worker the much-coveted employment.

It begins to look as though the Panama Canal will be "formally" opened after about all the commerce of the world has passed through on trial trips.

It is impossible to look at Villa's face and imagine him as a kind-hearted president of a stricken republic.

Expert artillerists have been sent

to the aid of General Funston, but if all reports are true, the general is some big gun himself.

It is said that airplanes will soon be more expensive than automobiles. How could they be?

A policeman was killed at a wedding in Pittsburg. Marriage in that city must be a serious event.

CONVENTION DETAILS KNOWN.

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Sermon by Pres. Homan, Willamette University.

Monday Morning, June 29.

6:30—Watch meeting.

8:00—Devotional and Song Service.

8:30—Quiet Hour Bible Study.

9:00-9:45—"The Devotional Meeting."

Paper presented by Miss Reba Williamson, Island City, District First Vice-President, followed by general discussion.

9:45-10:00—Intermission.

10:00-10:45—"The Challenge of the Age."

Paper presented by Miss Fannie McKennon, Union, District Second Vice-President, followed by general discussion.

10:45-11:00—Intermission.

11:00-11:45—"The Price of Brotherhood."

Paper presented by Ed. Jasper, Alicel, District Third Vice-President, followed by general discussion.

11:45—Adjournment for lunch.

Monday Afternoon.

1:15—Devotional and Song Service.

1:30—Quiet Hour Bible Study.

1:45—"Winning and Welding," A. W. James, Wallawa.

2:30—Business Session.

Reports of Local Chapters.

Reports of District Officers.

Election of Officers.

Selection of Convention City.

Committee Reports.

4:30—Seeing La Grande automobile tour of city.

Monday Evening.

6:00—Banquet at Riverside Park.

8:00—Installation of District Officers.

Tuesday, Morning, June 30.

6:30—Watch Meeting.

8:00—Devotional and Song Service.

8:30—Quiet Hour Bible Study.

9:00-9:45—"Constructive Recreation."

Paper presented by Ray Faulds, Baker, District Fourth Vice-President, followed by general discussion.

9:45-10:00—Intermission.

10:00-10:45—"Just Juniors."

Paper presented by Mrs. W. A. Winters, La Grande, District Junior Superintendent, followed by general discussion.

10:45-11:00—Intermission.

11:00-11:45—"Organized Effort."

Paper presented by A. L. Lindbeck, La Grande, District President, followed by general discussion.

11:45—Adjournment for lunch.

Tuesday Afternoon.

1:15—Devotional and Song Service.

1:30—Quiet Hour Bible Study.

1:45—"Our Task and Our Tools," J. G. A. Martin, Union.

2:30—Special music.

3:00—Chalk Talks, by C. E. Helman Vale.

Tuesday Evening.

7:30—Devotional and Song Service.

8:00—Sermon, "Look Up, Lift Up," W. A. Winters, La Grande.

La Grande District Cabinet, 1913-1914.

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Rev. E. B. Fyke, Pastor in Charge of Entertaining Church.

REDUCE CONGESTION.

There are commercial and industrial interests which, blinded by the privileges of the present, fail to see the advantages of the golden era of the future. These interests, therefore, while yielding to the growing demand for city planning, adhere to the antiquated ideals and methods which have been so well expressed in Paris and Berlin and which are based wholly on the principle of workaday commercialism and industrial profits rather than upon the principles of human efficiency and social progress. "Nickel" policies in transit development, such as we frequently encounter among our public corporations, boulevard and parkway developments, the main function of which is the increase in real estate values that benefit the few, the construction of costly public buildings to impress the strangers and benefit the grafting contractors, do not constitute city planning.

Unless we realize the importance of reducing congestion, distributing adequately and equitably the advantages of parks, playgrounds, social and educational centers, give easy and cheap access to the opportunities for employment to the people as a whole, this country will be developing slums and their products—poverty, immorality, crimes, disease and death.—Dr. Carol Aronovitch.

A Cool Hand.

Sergeant to recruits—What would be the first thing you'd do, Jackson, if you were on guard duty at the powder magazine and the thing blew up? Recruit—The first thing I'd do, sir, would be to fire a shot to give the alarm.—New York Post.

Nothing refines like affection. Family jarring vulgarizes; family unison elevates.

WILLIAM PENN'S PHILOSOPHY.

Lend not beyond thy ability nor refuse to lend out of thy ability, especially when it will help others more than it can hurt thee.

Frugality is good, if liberality be joined with it. The first is leaving off superfluous expenses; the last is bestowing them to the benefit of others that need. The first without the last begins covetousness; the last without the first begins prodigality; both together make an excellent temper.

Love labor, for if thou dost not want it for food thou mayst for physic.

Be reserved, but not sour; grave, but not formal; bold, but not rash; humble, but not servile; patient, not insensible; constant, not obstinate; cheerful, not light; rather sweet, than familiar; familiar than intimate; and intimate with very few, and upon very few grounds.

If thou hast done an injury to another rather own it than defend it. One way thou gainest forgiveness, the other thou doublest the wrong and reckoning.

If thou thinkest twice before thou speakest once then wilt thou speak twice the better for it.

BALLY-O-CLUKE.

I went up to Dublin, With Riley's lad, Luke, An' the blys there was troublin' Old Bally-o-Cluke. Bally-o-Cluke, Bally-o-Cluke, Fetch me the birgle, Says Bally-o-Cluke.

I swung me shillaly, An' Luke come behind, An' whatever else happened Has slipped from me mind. Bally-o-Cluke, Bally-o-Cluke, Fetch me the birgle, Says Bally-o-Cluke.

But when I got home The women said, Hey bhy, Ye've got a black eye To remember the day by. Bally-o-Cluke, Bally-o-Cluke, Fetch me the birgle, Says Bally-o-Cluke. —From "Celtic Samples," by C. T. Ryder, in Bellman.

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THE BANKS O' DOON.

Ye banks and braes o' bonnie Doon,
How can ye bloom sae fresh and fair?
How can ye chant, ye little birds,
And I sae weary, fu' o' care?
Thou'll break my heart, thou warbling bird,
That wantons through the flowering thorn.
Thou minds me o' departed joys,
Departed—never to return.

Aft hae I roved by bonnie Doon
To see the rose and woodbine twine,
And ilka bird sang o' its love,
And, fondly, sae did I o' mine.
Wi' lightsome heart I pu'd a rose,
Fu' sweet upon its thorny tree,
And my fause lover stole my rose,
But, ah, he left the thorn wi' me!

—Robert Burns.

FRENCH SAYINGS.

Nothing is of more value than civility.

He that walks too hastily often stumbles in plain way.

He who speaks of a doctor does not always speak of a learned man, but only of a man who ought to be learned.

To know the value of money one must be obliged to borrow it.

Speak of the wolf and you will see his tail.

He who arrives first at the mill should first get his grist.

THE FOG.

The weird fog elf in robes of gray
Creeps up from the sea at break of day,
Gently caressing the hills one by one,
While a prisoner he makes of the glowing sun.

His presence has sent brave men to their doom,
Proclaiming to loved ones a message of gloom;
Yet the plants and the flowers lift their heads to be kissed
By the stealthily vanishing wraith of the mist.

—Gertrude Ailyn Long.

GOOD AND FAIR.

How near to good is what is fair,
Which we no sooner see,
But with the lines and outward air
Our senses taken be.
We wish to see it still and prove
What ways we may deserve;
We court, we praise, we more than love.
We are not grieved to serve.
—Ben Jonson.

WANTED—Board or board and room in private home, by two young men. References. Write W. C. Observer. 6-9-2-tp.

OREGON CROPS GOOD.

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age year. The wheat outlook is 50 percent better today than two weeks ago.

Some Hay is Down.

Some small quantities of hay was

caught by the present prolonged rain. This type of hay is principally poor alfalfa that was nipped by frost earlier in the year and has grown to grass, needing early cutting to let the alfalfa crop come forth. Farmers usually don't pay much attention to such crops hence the loss is trivial but the first cutting is light. Hay will probably be less in the county this year than customary because of the frost nippings on the first cutting.

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