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## BAGDAD ASTONISHED BY FIRE ENGINE



The natives of Bagdad, which some time ago was wrested from the Turks by the British forces, are roused out of their morning's sleep by the clanging of a London fire engine, and view the machine with astonishment.

At present let the hopes of all be that the weather man will give us sunshine until these crops are harvested. Continuous rain for a week will do terrific damage in the valley.

John B. Yeon has given his time for several years, and spent much of his own money, that Multnomah county might have good highways. Now he is being sued by some taxpayer, the charges being apparently intended to blacken his character and destroy his reputation. Such is life.

Denton Burdick, of Deschutes county, seeks the speakership of the next House of Representatives. And Denton Burdick is one of the cleanest young men in the state, thoroughly capable. It would be no mistake to select him for this position.

### WISE AND OTHERWISE

The brotherhood of man and the sisterhood of woman is the highest level man can reach on earth. The old philosophers pictured such a condition as heaven.

Socrates, the father of mental, moral and religious liberty, was so democratic that he would sit with the crowd on the sidewalk and dangle his feet in the gutter.

The Golden Rule makes us all brothers, while the rule of gold makes us all enemies—the difference between golden ideas in our head and gold dollars in our stocking.

Helping to win political justice for others is the best way to win eternal justice for ourselves. The church people out of politics are out of the king's highway to heaven.

If political parties had no enemies to fear they would have but few friends to reward. There were times in the world's history when the same could be said about the churches.

The parent who buys a half-rate railroad ticket for a child past thirteen years old may justify the deed by calling railroad companies dishonest, but it's a mighty poor object lesson for the child.

The negro pictured in the song "Way Down Upon the Suwanee River" is the negro who made himself a home to cure his longings for a home. The man who has been homesick is the man who makes the good citizen.

### BY THE OFFICE OWL

The less a man knows the more suspicious he is.

Any man can make his wife do anything she wants to.

When your friends are not trumpets it is up to you to discard them.

With the dealer in second hand goods it is never too late to mend.

Wings of riches enable them to fly up and roost on the highest branches.

An amateur may be a person who has entered the first stage of ignorance.

No amount of voice culture will make a fat man stop snoring in his sleep.

Some men are so busy looking for a position that they have no time to work.

The average girl is a queer creature. She'll make fun of a young man one day and marry him the next.

Few women make successful lawyers. They are unable to break themselves of the habit of giving free advice.

Besides the nuts used in confection, the Indian cashew tree yields an insect-repelling gum, a juice that makes indelible ink and three kinds of oil, one edible, the others used to tan fishing nets and preserve wood.

Families of three persons constitute 19 per cent of the total number and are the most numerous in England; families of four make up 18 per cent, families of five 14 per cent, and families of six 10 per cent of the total population.



WILBUR ON WAR PROFITS.

In speaking of men who get rich from war profits, Ray Lyman Wilbur says:

"The world stands breathless today watching the greatest race in all human history, the race between the United States and Germany. Germany trying to close up the war before America can get into it, and America trying to get in before it is too late. Those dreadful words 'too late,' we have heard altogether too often in this war, but they must never apply to the food supply of our allies.

"Before each American stands the personal responsibility of doing his part three times a day to see that we meet the imperative food needs of the armies and peoples abroad. Food is the weapon with which America can maintain a position in the war long enough finally to win it. Food is not saved to save money, but to save the lives that will win the war.

JOHN COCHRAN.

Excellent judgment was shown by the Republican State Central Committee when that body elected John Cochran for its secretary. The importance of the secretaryship is known to every person who has ever attempted to conduct a campaign and in reality the man who holds that office is the man upon whom rests the burden of all undertakings of the organization.

In John Cochran the Republican party of Oregon will find a diligent worker, a man who stands for nothing but fairness to all, a willing helper and an individual who has more political acumen than most men who seek office or attempt to lead in party affairs. His knowledge of the state and his acquaintance with people in every county places him in touch immediately with all affairs. And there is a large number of Republicans over Oregon who, when the name of John Cochran is mentioned as secretary of the committee, will at once feel a personal interest in all work undertaken by the committee.

The selection is the very best that could have been made.

We are not spending money today to get that Liberty, Freedom and Justice we demand. We are spending the precious blood of men and boys—the best that we have—by the hundreds and by the thousands.

"God may forgive the man who makes money out of this war, but the American people and the soldier who returns from France never will."

Begin to get ready for the coming Liberty Loan, and the next and the next, for they will come at least three each year until the end of this bloody struggle. No longer should it be necessary for any solicitation, for it is now understood that this is every war and everybody must buy as soon as bonds are offered.

### SUNDAY DON'TS

Don't stay away from church because company came; bring them.

Don't let the Sunday paper keep you; we have something better.

Don't stay away because it rains. That would not keep you from business.

Don't stay away because you won't be missed in the crowd. God misses you.

Don't stay away because it isn't your denomination; the same excuse would keep you out of heaven.

Don't stay away because you have no influence; the churchgoer preaches a sermon as long as the way thither.

Don't stay away because you know more than the preacher; God may have something to say to you worth hearing.

Don't stay away because the church does not need you; never did the church need more and better men and women.

Don't stay away because the church is imperfect; should you find and join the perfect church, its perfection would cease.

Don't stay away because you do not need the church; 'tisn't so. If you must look at the dirt six days, take one to examine the clouds.—Christian Age.

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Constant companionship wears on friendship.

When a woman argues with a man she is outspoken and he is out-talked.

Sometimes a man's happiness depends on the size of the bottle he has just emptied.

That man who says he never makes a mistake probably doesn't know one when he sees it.

An appropriate present for a girl is anything she can wear; for a boy, anything he can eat.

A boy's idea of true happiness is to be able to produce the biggest noise on the Fourth of July.

A man wastes more time during six months of courtship than he does all the rest of his life waiting for street cars.

It is reported that the cost of keeping an elephant is about \$150 a day. The cost of seeing the elephant sometimes runs up into thousands.—Chicago News.

### FROM COMMERCE REPORTS

For this year the crop forecast in Norway is distinctly favorable.

Persia is a possible source of greater quantities of sugar than heretofore.

Argentina's corn crop is estimated at 4,325,000 tons, of which 2,500,000 tons can be exported.

Norway's spring herring catch was not quite equal to last year's either in quantity or value.

Bean cake, produced in large quantities in south Manchuria, can be used as food, although heretofore considered as good for little else than fertilizer.

For ten years after the close of the war the importation of dyestuffs into Great Britain will be under government control in order that the new British dye industry may be maintained.

### WORDS OF WISE MEN

Character, good or bad, has a tendency to perpetuate itself.—Hodge.

Words are not essential to the existence of thought—only to its expression.—Dugald Stewart.

The only way in which to fit a people for self-government is to intrust them with self-government.—Macaulay.

We love flattery, even when we see through it, and are not deceived by it, for it shows that we are of importance enough to be courted.—Emerson.

### HELEN WOODROW BONES



A new photograph of Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, cousin of the president, who leaves her home at the White House every morning to fill her position as information desk girl at the headquarters of the District of Columbia chapter of the Red Cross. Formerly she did canteen work, assisting in serving meals to soldiers passing through Washington.

### DISILLUSIONMENT.

"When yo' sees a cullud piffessah rise up and pick at dem crinkly side whiskers of his'n and smooze down dat fancy vest yo' am amazed at de ponderosity of de spectacle," said old Brother Buckaroo. "But when yo' listens to his transplanted yo' finds dat when yo' beheld dem whiskers and dat vest yo' seed it all. Ain't dat 'bout so, Brudder Jordan?"—Kansas City Star.

### Standard Specific.

Some facetious persons want to know what we polish the seat of our pants with to make them so bright and shiny. It's no "get-slick-quick" preparation, but an intangible and natural element known as tempi attritus.—Houston Post.

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