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HOTEL MEN AND TELEPHONES.

Probably the best place to hitch the fight for lower telephone rates is onto the hotel men of Oregon. For have we not got such husky fighters as Phil Metschan, Al. Pierce, Pat Foley, and Mine Host Birdsall, of Bend?

Let the hotel men go forward with the demand for a re-hearing and the re-hearing will be held, for hotel men are strangely but truly men of influence. If they adopt an issue or a hobby of any kind, it is not long until the whole state is buzzing with the echo of that idea. It is a sort of Hindoo hypnotism which hotel men hold over the general public, not intentionally so, but it does exist.

As the old street car conductor used to murmur, "A blue trip slip for a three-cent fare, a red trip slip for a five-cent fare, punch, brother, punch with care, punch in the presence of the passenger," and have the whole carload of people joining with him in that murmur, so the hotel men can start a movement and have a large percentage of the people in on it before it is hardly realized.

The re-hearing of the telephone case should, and will be held, and the hotel men will be important factors in that hearing, as they should be, for when any service increases over one hundred per cent in a single jump it is up to the ones paying the bill to find out if such a rise is justified.

HART VETOES TOURIST FUND.

When Governor Hart in his search for places to cut down the heavy appropriations in Washington state found \$75,000 for the tourist fund, he immediately jabbled it with his veto. This was his privilege, but he reached into Oregon in vetoing that appropriation, because he also vetoed the money that Oregon appropriated, as the appropriation of this state was based wholly upon Washington setting aside a like amount for the tourist work.

Perhaps there is little harm done by the Governor Hart veto. A lot of people here believe it is all right. The tourist travel might increase heavily under advertising pressure and it might not, for tourists travel when times are good and money plentiful, not when everything is on the bumpy.

Although an effort is being made to raise Washington's part of the fund by private subscription, thus saving the Oregon appropriation, it is possible that this will fail and the whole tourist advertising plan will be blocked for lack of money.

A little cold for sweet peas.

Don't forget to brighten the home with flowers for a few days before Easter, and then comes the Easter lily.

The "Y" must have support. It is a part of the community and the worth of an institution is largely governed by the interest shown in it, and the manner in which the people rally to support it.

With Daniel Boyd, of Enterprise, visiting President Harding at the White House, it would seem that politics in the upper country should begin to revive.

THE AUTOMATIC PILOT.

If recent successful tests are conclusive, a French aviator has worked out an invention of great importance to the further development of flying. It is an automatic pilot, which will relieve the aviator of the strain now involved in long distance flying, particularly when passing through heavy clouds or fog and in night flying.

Hitherto, driving an airplane has been far more difficult than driving an automobile, because it has been necessary for the pilot to insure the perfect equilibrium of his craft by constant attention to various instruments. This is a real strain, and means that in a long flight the pilot would have no rest at all unless accompanied by another expert who could take the wheel part of the time.

The automatic pilot, the invention of Georges Avellaz, a French engineer and military pilot, will control every movement of the airplane, with the exception of steering. It insures the stability of the plane and instantly rectifies any tendency to plunge or list. The device combines simplicity and precision.

A number of thorough tests have been made. A Handley-Page airplane has been trying out the automatic control on long distance flights during several weeks. One of these was a trip to Paris and back. On that trip the pilot let the airplane fly for two hours consecutively while the sole control of the automatic pilot.

That the tests have been both thorough and satisfactory, under every conceivable condition, is indicated by the fact that the British government, which has ordered that 14 Handley-Page bombers be equipped with the invention for the use of the Royal Air Force.

Here is one more step in the development of the airplane, one which makes for great comfort and safety.

THE OFFICE CAT



—By JUNIUS—

A Song of Silence.
I can not sing the old songs,
The words I don't recall;
I've never learned the new ones,
So I cannot sing at all.

I can not sing the old songs,
I simply squeal or howl;
So pass me by in silence,
As I stand around and "Stall."

They Like Punishment.
A Terre Haute (Ind.) man married another fifteen minutes after being granted a divorce.

Just So.
Save daylight as we may, night always arrives in due time.

Next.
(Buffalo News.)
The man who used to spend all his time perfecting perpetual motion has a new diversion; he's trying to cross aeroplanes so they'll lay eggs.

Frank Jackson wants to know what has become of the old-fashioned man who used to own two pairs of trousers, both with suspenders.

Many a hero has transformed himself into a zero in the course of a three-minute banquet speech.

One editor wants to know if women are inferior to men. To decide that question permanently, the editor should get married.

We have just received a copy of the "Compressed Air Magazine." No, not the "Congressional Record," that's the released air magazine.

Two Great Periods.
One of the happiest periods in a girl's life is when she can say, "I am engaged," and one of the happiest, likewise, for some of them, is when they can say, "Well, I got my divorce today."

Then He Took His Hat and Left.
She—"And did you bring me back any souvenir?"
He—"Yes, here's a German bullet that the doctor took out of my leg."
She—"Oh, I wish it had been a German helmet."

But No Sky-Scraper Speaking.
Second-story men are in demand at dinners—providing their first stories make a hit.

Some Doings On A Streetcar.
(Dubuque, Iowa, News.)
Will the person who took pair of pants off Main St. car Friday please return to this office?

A woman can never understand why a man will stay up all night with his friends and always be so anxious to go home early when she has him out at a little party.

Every horse hates a check rein.
(That is one check they won't endorse.)

VENERABLE CARDINAL PASSES ON

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place in his holy city and cathedral in Baltimore. In the presence of hierarchy of the church, Cardinal Gibbons was clothed in the insignia of office. He arrived in Rome the following year and received the apostolic and admission into the college of cardinals, the twenty-fifth in succession.

Cardinal Gibbons celebrated the centenary of the founding of the Catholic hierarchy in the United States in 1888. He convened the first national congress of Catholic laymen in the United States in the same year. He laid the cornerstone of the Catholic University in Washington, and was its chancellor since its foundation. He was the first Roman Catholic prelate in the United States to take part in the election of a pope, casting his ballot for Pius X.

The scholarship and statesmanship of Cardinal Gibbons has been recognized by theologians of all deeds.

Religion is Only Basis.
"Religion," he said shortly before his death, "is the only solid basis for society. Religion is to society what cement is to a modern building. It makes all parts compact and coherent. The teachings of Christ, have been the basis of all Christian legislation for nearly 2,000 years and continue to be the light and guide for hundreds of millions of souls. Neither Solon nor Lycurgus nor Justinian nor Napoleon nor any other framer of laws ever exerted a tithe of the influence which the gospel of Christ exercises on the human race."

The last days of Cardinal Gibbons were spent among his friends in his native Baltimore. He was a picturesque figure on the streets. Notwithstanding his high office, His Eminence was one of the most democratic of Americans. During his daily walks about the city, he received the respectful salutations of persons of all faiths, responding with his genial and cordial smile, whether to a policeman or to a distinguished financier.

Cardinal Gibbons retained to the last a keen interest on sociology.

"We are confronted by at least three great evils," he said in a recent interview. "They are polygamy and divorce; imperfect education; and the tendency of our women to become like men and less womanly. Woman occupies the throne in the home. She could not seek another one. That has been proven time and again in history."



CARDINAL GIBBONS.

Music By Mail

You can have any kind of music you want, anywhere in the whole wide world, if you own a Columbia Gramophone. Send us, or call and leave us your name, and we'll gladly mail you the Monthly Columbia Record Supplements, which keep your catalog up to date. The white and tell us which records you want. We'll mail them promptly.

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Margie, Vocal — By Frank Emolt.

Margie — By Ted Lewis Jazz Band.

W. H. BOHNENKAMP COMPANY

NEWEST & CO
THE QUALITY STORE

Last Preparations For Easter Are Complete



In every part of the store are new things—beautiful things for Easter which you are welcome to inspect. The new dresses, the coats, the suits, the new footwear, hosiery and blouses—are not merely haphazard collections of lots such as many merchants throughout the country have been forced to take. Quality in our merchandise, those people have come to take for granted, a fact of which we are sincerely proud. Not our word, but the service rendered by the merchandise accounts for this feeling of confidence.

We feel quite proud in saying that we have shown more in the way of fine EASTER APPAREL this year than ever before—more, varied, tasteful and distinctive, and you will find today that our stocks embrace all that is new and charming for Easter. Visit this store tomorrow and Saturday.

JUST IN!
BROWN SILK

PHOENIX HOSE

A big new shipment this morning brings us over 20 dozen of this celebrated hose, in brown and gray pure thread silk. The hose shortage in La Grande has been acute and this is the first of the PHOENIX we have had for some time. Phone your order. Price \$1.10, \$1.45 and \$1.95.

"Polly Prim"

APRONS, \$2.

Made in Dutch apron style; pockets and tie-back belt or sash, of self material. Of pretty plaid and checked ginghams, bound and finished with rick-rack. All sizes. They're very new. Price \$2.00.

NEW

Outing Costumes

The new Outing Costume for ladies consists of lace knee breeches, puttees or boots and jacket made as illustrated here of either taupe corduroy, forest green woolen, or khaki.

The ideal outfit for the woman who hikes, fishes, hunts or rides. Garments may be bought separate or as entire outfit.

Jackets are \$12.90; breeches are \$7.50, in forest greens; khaki breeches are \$2.90; jackets are \$6.50, and the corduroy outfit complete \$20.10. Complete outfits are \$10.10, \$15 and \$20.10.



RAGS Wanted at the Observer

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