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JUST SMILE, SMILE, SMILE.

All ye who are weary-minded and believe we are having hot weather, smile; all who think the heat is intense, smile again, for the heat here is not oppressive, the breezes blow coolly, the country is in good shape from a crop standpoint, the money is tight, but no tighter than elsewhere, so smile, smile, smile.

If you believe the hills are greener a little way off get it out of your head. If you can't get it out of your head without taking a trip, just take one. Go south and see the cotton planters who are broke; go east and see the factory people anxious to work but no money to operate on; go into the middle states and see the farmers all stretched out with their credit breaking; go south again and see the sugar planters tearing their hair, and east your eyes sideways and see the oil producers raving like wild maniacs with crude down from \$3.70 to \$1.00 a barrel and their costs still at top notch prices.

And, after you have seen them all, heard their tales of woe, witnessed many being closed out by people whom they owe, then come back to Oregon and view this section of plenty, with sufficient for all, with few people forced into bankruptcy, and smile, smile, smile!

WHERE HAY IS KING AND COW IS QUEEN.

That's Tillamook.
 Yes, where the hay is king and the cow is queen—that's where the Tillamook cheese grows.

This was the song of the Tillamook crowd on the special Chicago train yesterday through La Grande carrying the ones who will preach the gospel of the west to the middle and eastern states folk.

It seemed good to see a return of the Tom Richardson pep and push; it seemed good to see a bunch of men who believe with all their hearts in their own state and counties, for that is real life.

When a person gets to the don't care stage, when he gets to a point where he is willing to drift and his blood will not tingle in support of home state, then that person is neither fit for a place among men nor is he a candidate for good citizenship.

Tillamook bets on the old cow with the crumpled horn; she bets on the milk and cheese and Tillamook has a pay check every month—sometimes it is not so big but it is a check and meets expenses. It is a good dairy country but no better than many sections of Eastern Oregon. When we get to the viewpoint the Tillamookers have taken we will see a greater Eastern Oregon.

A TRUE SEA TALE

Why read fictional sea tales when the United States is involved in a true mystery of the deep more exciting than those recounted by the best authors?

Three American coastwise freighters are suddenly missing. A schooner was found, abandoned by her crew for no apparent reason, and stranded on Diamond Shoal off Cape Hatteras. The only crew was a better washed ashore in a bottle in the most approved style, saying that the schooner had been boarded and that the crew were being made prisoners and the boat was being stripped of everything. Now a British and a Russian ship have been added to the list and the unaccountable disappearance of an American collier from the same ocean lane during the war is being recalled.

There are whispers that vessels and crews have been seized by agents of the Russian Soviet government and the cargo commandeered. There are tales of sea pirates operating as in the days of old from the lonely islands and marshes along the Atlantic coast. Awakening to the fact that the loss of these ships is uncanny and suspicious, Uncle Sam has set five different departments of the government to investigating, to locate the pirate crews and the lost sailors.

It may remain forever one of the mysteries of the sea. It may be solved and its solution open the pages of a story strange and enthralling. But anyway, here it is, in the most sophisticated age of the world and in spite of the most scientific aids to maritime travel—a sea tale rivaling the chronicles of the buccaniers.

A DELINQUENT TAX DRIVE

Anyone who is not quite sure that all of his federal taxes are paid up to date had better look after the matter quickly, for early in July the new commissioner of internal revenue will institute a general drive to gather in all delinquent accounts. The drive is to be confined principally to the large cities, for it is believed that the greatest laxity exists there. But the least doubt in any quarter will result in a visit from the flying tax squadron, clothed with full authority to investigate books and other records.

It was discovered recently in New York City that amusement ticket

brokers had failed to account for taxes on excess charges on theater tickets. Investigation of any such cases will be rigid. But the whole field will be looked over, including excise taxes on manufacturers' sales, transportation taxes, the luxury tax and taxes on toilet goods, proprietary medicines and soft drinks. Where deliberate evasion is evident, penalties will follow. Where mistakes are coupled with honest intent, leniency will be shown. The campaign is for education as well as collection.

It is to the credit of the smaller communities that they are comparatively free from the suspicion of even unintentional delinquency in bearing their share of the government burden, but before the tax campaign opens it would be well for every business man to reassess himself that this angle of his business is in order.

JOHN MOST POPULAR

John is by far the most popular name, twice as many boys being named John as there are named Charles, James, or George, and four times as many as Henry, Thomas, Robert, Joseph or Edward.

Simon Newton compiled statistics of 100,000 names taken from directories, dictionaries, army registers and Masonic rosters and by actual count the name of John appeared 8,280 times, William was a close second, 7,611, James, 4,259; Charles, 4,255; George, 4,171; Thomas, 2,710; Henry, 2,566; Robert, 2,303; Joseph, 2,296; Edward, 1,997.

The storm raised by the recent speeches of certain eminent Americans indicates that every big gun should be equipped with a silencer.

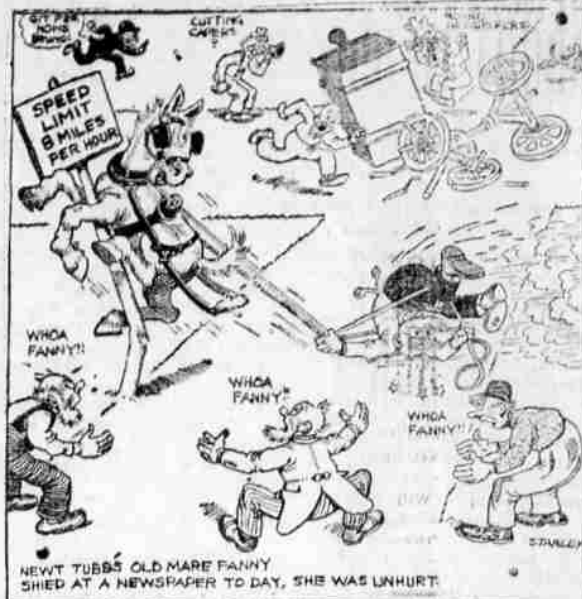
Judging by their rate of progress, the powers which are taking disarmament steps must all be walking backward.

The greatest shortage of clothing does not always exist among the neediest girls.

Germany is said to be making rapid progress in reconstruction. No wonder. She hasn't any big army and navy to support.

Industrial depressions certainly do make it hard to keep out of the hole.

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



NEWY TUBBS OLD MARE FANNY SHIED AT A NEWSPAPER TO DAY, SHE WAS UNHURT

THE OFFICE CAT



—By JUNFUS—

He Proved It.

"I cannot make a speech," he said. As he twiddled his thumbs and scratched his head, and ere he'd finished his talk, forsooth, We knew the man had told the truth.

A regular customer sends us a clipping from an unnamed paper which reads thusly: "Oscar Reeves has leased the Lewis farm, and plans to raise cain this summer." Luck to ya, Oscar, but whatever ya do, be keefeful.

Horrors!

"Instead of rocking the baby he spent his evening shaking the shimmy," testified Mrs. O. D. Gray of San Francisco, Cal., who has brought suit against her husband for divorce.

C. B. Miller says that a real optimist can have a good time just thinking about what a good time he would have if he was having it.

When introduced they tell us how delighted they are to meet us, and the next time we run across them, they are gazing at the sky.

Synthetic Gem.

You can never judge a man's worldly importance by the way he signs his name on a hotel register.

There will always be vacancies in the heavenly choir for a few more bass singers.

A local jilted beau says that some women are a whole lot like spaghetti—when you think you've got 'em, they slip away from you.

Getting Back at Him.

Didn't you find it hard to return to laundries, civil life after having been in the army for a few years?" asked Lieutenant Smithers.

"Well, it wouldn't have been so bad," he replied, "if one of the privates in my company wasn't foreman of the shop where I work."

Police Hellup!

Peru (Ind.) Journal. WANTED—Girl stripper, Arnold's

Cigar store, N. Broadway.

Of course, we realize that our fame doesn't reach around the world. But it is rather discouraging after you've been grindin' out this column for nearly a year to have somebody come in and ask, "Who writes that Office Cat stuff, anyway?"

Blame the Driver.

He tried to walk across the street with his legs, light his pipe with his hands and mouth, see a pretty girl with his eyes, and think about his errand with his brain, all at one and the same time. And now he ain't.

A scientist claims to have discovered that blonds lack the mental acumen usually possessed by brunettes. From which we gather that said scientist has a blond stenographer and a brunette wife—and the wife has just gotten wise to the fact.

The Slacker.

His fond heart used to sigh for her. He told her he would die for her. But 'twas a big mistake; For she became a wife to him, And since she's tied for life to him, He will not eat her cake.

Our Own Hall of Fame.

Will Rust lives at Coweta, Okla.

Another kind of Lever net: a tightwad's wife trying to pry him loose from a \$10 bill.

POLITICAL HISTORY

July 8, 1758—Battle of Ticonderoga, N. Y.

July 8, 1795—Washington College (Tennessee) chartered.

First literary institution in the Mississippi valley.

July 8, 1819—Alexander Hays Union soldier, born. He fell in the

battle of the Wilderness. July 8, 1879—The Jeanette expedition sailed from San Francisco.

Mystery of Barber's Chair. Wonder what it is that makes an ordinarily silent man talkative the minute he gets in a barber chair?

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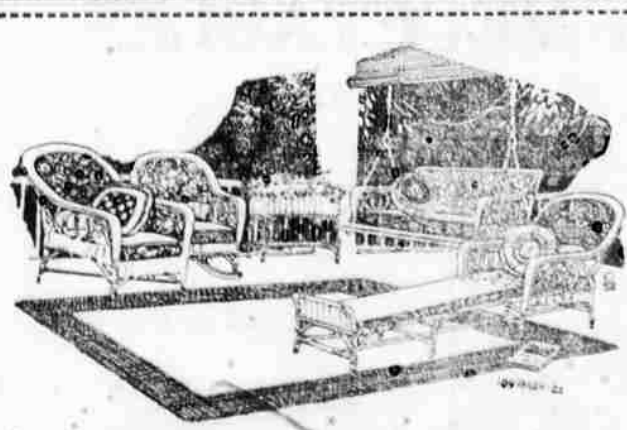
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