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Picnickers, Take Heed

This is picnic time in the Grande Ronde valley and no country anywhere was ever blessed with more picnic haunts. A thousand woodland dells invite the motor party to stop and make camp for a few hours and be the guests of Mother Nature.

This generous hostess, while giving welcome to all, has a right to expect that her guests conduct themselves with propriety and show a little plain appreciation for the free hospitality enjoyed. The least consideration she should receive is that the picnickers clean up camp before they leave.

Old papers, tin cans, garbage and paper plates left scattered over the picnic spot is a poor return for the enjoyment given and it makes the camp site unattractive but inviting to the next party last seen here. A few minutes at camp breaks the time would suffice to carry out the rest of the litter, and that part of it that is inflammable, such as cans and bottles, can be disposed of easily where it will offend neither the eyes nor the nose.

The picnic sites on Catherine Creek, the Grande Ronde Valley, and other beautiful places are among the most popular haunts and it doesn't take a close inspection to reveal that some people have been abusing the privileges they enjoy at these places. Camp litter of every description tells the tale all too plainly of the unclean and inconsiderate camper.

If you are one of those who have left a camp with no thought of how that camp will look when you have returned home, resolve to be more thoughtful in the future and to school yourself in the practice of leaving your picnic grounds as clean as you found them.

Up to Public Now

Senator Borah has well said that, with the disarmament conference assured, the real task has only begun, and "public opinion will have to finish what public opinion started." It is the literal truth. If this fact is lost sight of and public interest wanes, there will be little accomplished.

This is not said in disparagement or distrust of the government at Washington or of the government of any other country. It may be taken for granted that the statesmen of every country concerned, and especially the American representatives, will do their best. But certain facts of human nature have to be recognized.

It is people rather than governments that are interested in disarmament. This is necessarily so. The heads of navies never want to diminish or limit their forces. They do not consider it safe. Professional pride and specialization affect their perspective and warp their judgment. It is the same with the heads of armies. Military experts are notoriously clamorous for larger forces, not smaller ones. Heads of governments, having a multitude of things to deal with, naturally listen to those who are considered experts, and are themselves likely to be swayed by traditional views. It is the exceptional man in public life who, in a responsible executive position, can take a perfectly fresh view of a situation, and frame a new, living, correct judgment of it.

The public, acting together, is better able to furnish this new view, and so it is from the formation and expression of living public opinion that nearly all big reforms are accomplished.

The public in almost every country today is demanding disarmament, as the best immediate way to lessen the burdens left by the war, and also as the best way in sight to discourage warfare hereafter. Statesmen, though wanting peace as much as others, are still somewhat dubious and reluctant. They have to be driven. The public has forced this disarmament conference, and the public will have to keep on the job if it is to get what it wants.

Happiness In Dreams

Just as a normal person can close his eyes and visualize to himself some familiar or imagined scene, so persons made blind after possessing

full sight can carry into their darkness memory pictures of scenes or people. Furthermore, it is said that the blind—that is, those who have not been blind from birth—frequently dream that they can see clearly. A young man blinded during the war writes in the London Daily News, "There is one time when we do see, and this is in our dreams. Dreaming thus becomes a very pleasant sensation."

This, he says, suggests many possibilities of added happiness. "If only we could control our dreams so that the will did not lose its power over the faculties, it would still be possible for us to enjoy in a way many of the outdoor sports which are denied us. Dream sight would enable us to take part in golf, tennis and the like. Dream control is not impossible."

He cites the case of Sir Arthur Pearson, a blind man whose misfortune became a stepping stone to great and beautiful service to his fellow-sufferers. Sir Arthur says that he frequently plays an entire game of golf in his dream. He attributes this to his habit of playing a game of golf in his mind before going to sleep. The London News writer says he has done the same thing for himself, playing tennis instead of golf, and following the game through every point.

Sometimes a strenuous dream is as fatiguing physically and mentally as actual, waking indulgence in the dreamed-of activities. But if the dream is a wholly happy one it is possible that the physical effect will be negligible, and the dreamer will consider himself only fortunate in thus being able to lose his infirmity in his sleep.

THE OFFICE CAT



—By JUNIUS—

Dreams

Miss Kewpie: "Dear, I am getting awfully anxious about that cute little bungalow."
 Mr. Pepper: "Wish I knew of a scheme to get rich quick."
 Kewpie: "I know!"
 Pepper: "Please tell me honey."
 Kewpie: "Catch grasshoppers, each one has a green back."

Whoops Ma Chere

Mary had a shadow skirt,
 But didn't dare to go
 A-shopping with it on, because
 She slowed up traffic so!

A Texas clergyman is said to have given up his pulpit to join the crusade against the illicit liquor traffic. A boose fighting parson, as 'twere.

Wanted—Woman to Mangle.
 No, this is not an aftermath of war. Simply a sign on a laundry.

"Much has been written and said," leads off a correspondent in a letter to the editor, "about the profiteering evil." Then he goes on to write and say a whole lot more. Writing letters to the editor, by the way, is like reapplying a stale poultice. It may not do any good but there is some relief when one gets it off one's chest.

An exchange prints feminine fashion dope under a "What Shall My Lady Wear?" heading.
 Anybody ought to know it should have gone in the "Brevities" column.

What has become of the old-fashioned newspaper beauty contest in which the homeliest girl in the county won the prize?

Widow Takes Risk in Second Matrimonial Voyage

(From New York Tribune)
 Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mrs. Florence L. Sudlow, widow of Leland Stanford Sudlow, to James Risk.

There's nothing like the sentimentalities of the old-fashioned, simple-minded citizen like seeing a woman with and picked eyebrows and a swagger stick.

Investigations

There are investigations that make you weary.
 There are investigations that make you fine.
 There are investigations so sad and dreary
 That don't mean a thing to you.
 There are investigations that savor of Ringling.
 There are investigations that are both large and small.
 But the investigation that lands a guy in Sing Sing
 Is the rarest investigation of all.

Champion Spender to Visit U. S.



Mrs. Smith-Wilkinson, who is creating a furor in Europe by her lavish spending, is coming to America. European reports she has an annual income of \$30,000,000. She is shown here in the dress in which she attended the Autium races. It is decorated with many diamonds. Paris papers say she spent \$5,000,000 in three weeks.

FORDSON THRESHER LATEST FARM TOOL

'Round The County

Incidents with Human Interest Attached, Gathered by The Observer.

FARMERS GOOD-COUNCILMEN

Retired farmers make progressive councilmen. This is conclusively proven by recent developments at North Powder where the major percentage of the present council is composed of farmers and retired farmers. Under the mayorship of Mr. Forstrom, the city has undertaken many advanced steps of city improvement looking for the betterment of conditions in North Powder. Along with other human beings they have made a mistake now and then, but the big average shows splendid business judgment. The North Powder council is composed of Grant Dalton, S. E. Blevens, Ben Evans, R. W. Parker, Ed Cornes, Jesse O'Bryant, E. C. Brace, a former La Grande man, is city clerk and the funds of the municipality are entrusted to J. Gilkerson, vice president of the North Powder bank. Marshall Anderson maintains the dignity of the law.

The latest addition to the implement line of the Hilton Garage is a threshing outfit that is built primarily to be used with the Fordson tractor. The first of a number of these machines arrived Monday and has been set up and placed on exhibition in the garage.

The thresher is seemingly smaller in size than some of the older makes but is constructed almost entirely of metal and is lighter than some of the old-fashioned wooden outfits. The construction has been so designed that the capacity of the machine is practically the same as that of all other standard makes.

The addition of the thresher to the line of farm implements carried by the Hilton Garage especially for use with the Fordson and other small tractors, makes their line of farm implements complete now. "The implement business will grow enormously in the next few years so far as the tractor and automobile dealers are concerned," Frank Hilton said today. "Farm implements and tractors go together just as much as automobiles and tractors and I believe that in the future most of the farm implements will be sold by the garage men."

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From the Orient

THINGS FOR BABY

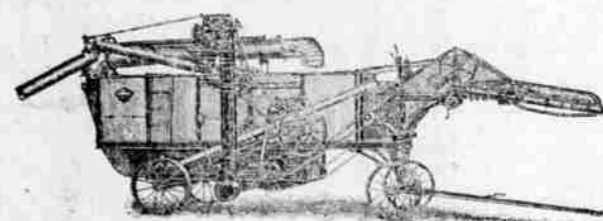
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