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AUNT SARAH DEABODY, LEADER OF THE SOCIETY FOR SUPPRESSION OF PIPE SMOKING, IS GETTING AFTER THE YOUNG SPORTS WHO LEAVE THEIR HORSES STAND OUT IN FRONT OF THE POOL ROOM.

Bible Thought For Today

HOW TO ESCAPE FROM EVIL.—Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the Most High, thy habitation, there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.—Psalm 91:9-11.

Portland And The Upstate

(Frank Irvine in Portland Journal)
The bitter fight at the special session over the exposition measure recalls that from time immemorial there has been a feeling in upstate counties that Portland was not fair with the rest of the state. That feeling of feudism was voiced all over Oregon a generation ago. Men now well along in years used to hear it when they were schoolboys. It appeared constantly in county newspapers. It was a general feeling that Portland was always ready to "put something over" on the rest of the state. Sincere men voiced it and insincere politicians fed it and capitalized it to their own benefit.

It has never disappeared. Sometimes it smoldered, particularly in those days when the Oregon Development League, for a brief period, got up the slogan "One for all and all for one," and for a time held state-wide meetings and cultivated a spirit of confidence and mutual good will.

One thing that did more than anything else to keep the feud from dying has been the Multnomah delegation in the legislature. Without exception, there are always some good members in the delegation. As regularly, there have been members who were not good legislators. Often they had personal axes to grind. Not infrequently, they were the handy men for special interests.

Scores of crimes against the state have been committed in the chloroforming of good bills and the passage of bad ones. An example is the uniformity with which they have killed income tax bills as a service to a considerable group in Portland and in some outside cities who escape payment of a just share of taxation and by that escape pile up undue burdens on real estate. The fruit of their work is a state-wide and very determined resistance to imposition of further taxes on real estate, as evidenced in the bitter fight on the property tax for the exposition.

For 40 years there have been suspicion and mistrust throughout Oregon of the Multnomah delegations in the legislature. The good men and the work they do are lost sight of in the irritating and feud-creating action by the unworthy members.

The storm broke at the special session, partly in resentment against the dictation of some members of the Multnomah delegation, partly from natural opposition to the exposition and partly as a result of the old-time feud between Portland and the rest of the state. The flame that has been kindled has within it the possibility of becoming a very harmful and long-continued controversy.

The prejudices resultant from this ancient controversy are often without reason. They are more active now because in many of the agricultural communities men are in straits. Nor do they realize that Portland has spent enormous sums of money in costly improvements that have provided Oregon with a splendid outlet to the sea, and followed it up with provisions of effective terminals and by bringing here the ships whose services make better and better markets for the products of the region, a service that is of inestimable value every day to the entire back country.

Portland people taxed themselves heavily in this work. They have hands outstanding on which they will be paying interest and principal for a generation to come. It is one of scores of similar services as exemplified, for instance, in the constant taxing of themselves by Portland people in financing the operations of the Portland docks commission and the Port of Portland commission, activities which, while they are naturally of benefit to Portland, are in the primary usefulness for the permanent service of the back country in facilitating distribution and transportation and creating distant markets for all Oregon products. Incidentally, the \$1,000,000 that Portland bankers loaned the Cooperative

THE OFFICE CAT



MOONSHINE
And, the moon shines
Bright and clear,
Dear,
The moonshines in the west,
As I lose my needed rest,
Dear,
At six in the a. m.
Ah, weep a tear for me,
Dear,
The moon shines cold and far,
And no one gives a darn
Dear,
As I miss the early car.

Daily Sentence Sermon
There is no better cure for restlessness than to rest less.

Our Own Dictionary
Hard Times—A season during which it is very difficult to borrow money to buy things you don't need.

Thrift—The art of being content to let the neighbors outdress you.
Friend—An intimate acquaintance to whom you have never lent any money.

Failure—A man who wasn't content to stick at the one thing he could do well.
Suicide—The functioning of a yellow streak.

Platonic Friendship—The kind that keeps up the supply of correspondents.
Mess—Rations, also the fix everything is in.

By George—Once a mild form of profanity, but now a brief synopsis of foreign policies.
Fame—A place on today's front page.

So far 17 tenors have been hailed by managers as bearing the mantle of Caruso. No, we don't recall any of the names.

The only hope of a paragrapher being considered original is that one may say something that has been forgotten.

Executive. Any man who has sense enough to pick able men to do work.

Columbia Records
For JANUARY
Now on Sale
They play on all machines
W. H. Bohnenkamp Company

Electric light bills in La Grande are shocking.

Please Send Photo
Situation Wanted—Stenographer desires to work for some one who does not oscillate his employes.—Advertisement in Chicago, (Ill.), American.

The Artful Advertiser
A local advertiser offered his church free hymn books if they would consent to the insertion of his advertising. They accepted the offer and got the hymn books.

On the following Sunday the minister announced: "Brethren and sisters, we will use our new hymn books this morning. I want to say that the gentleman who so kindly donated them has experienced a change of heart. I have looked through the fly-leaves in both the front and back and nowhere do I find a single advertisement. Let us sing hymn number 67."

Turning to the hymn he read aloud: "Hark hear the heavenly voices ring, Bunkem's pills are just the thing, Angels' voices, soft and mild, Two for man and one for child." —Forbes.

Shop Girl (Just kissed): Will that be all?

GENERAL BRUCE TO LEAD ASCENT

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Dec. 28.—Brigadier General Charles Granville Bruce, who, despite his 55 years, has accepted the leadership of next year's ascent of Mount Everest, is a man of remarkable attainments. He was shot through both legs in Gallipoli and, as he himself describes the event, "he rolled down the hill like a shot rabbit" but, being an irresponsible optimist, he recovered. His personal strength is such that he could at one time raise and hold out at arm's length a well-grown person as he sat in a chair. Stories of his strength, his practical jokes and of other more serious exploits, are common property throughout northern India, where he has commanded a Gurkha regiment for years. His passion has always been

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FOR SALE

5-room new bungalow, built-in, cold storage room, the location is on Oak street, just off Spring. The place has three lots. Price \$3390.

Attention Soldiers.
In the month of brides and roses, June, some of you are going to slip and find yourself under the command of a new commanding officer, the sweetest little girl in the world. Have you a home for her?

I have one 5-room bungalow that is leased until June 8th, that you can buy with your bonus and very little money. This house is in a good location and the price is right at \$2100.

If you are going to need a home before that time, come to the office and let me show you what I have that you can buy immediately with your bonus.

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NEW CLOCKED WOOL HOSE
\$3.00 Pair
Intended for Christmas gifts, but they arrived a day too late.
These are fine all-wool hose in leather mixtures with fancy embroidered clox. In all sizes. Price \$3.00 pair.

See the Announcement for Next Week!
IN THIS SPACE SATURDAY
STORE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY

Wm West & Co
THE CLOTHING STORE

NAVY DISCHARGES HALTED
(By Associated Press)
BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Vice-Admiral Hilary P. Jones, commanding the At-

lantic fleet, today ordered that beginning December 28 there should be no further discharges of enlisted men. A reduction of 10 per cent of the enlisted personnel of the fleet has been ordered recently.

DOES IT PAY TO WORRY ABOUT APPENDICITIS?
Can appendicitis be guarded against? Yes, by preventing intestinal infection. The intestinal anti-

tic, Adler-Lika, attacks BOTH upper and lower bowels, removing ALL food, decaying matter which might start infection. EXCELLENT for gas on stomach or chronic constipation. It removes matter which you never thought was in your system and which nothing else can dislodge. One man reports it is unbelievable the awful impurities Adler-Lika brought out.—C. D. Putnam, druggist. adv.

Dairy Ranch for Sale or Trade
250 acres, about 2 miles from town. \$0 acres of this is good farming or hay land. Balance is splendid pasture, with a small amount of timber. There is a good house and barn, good orchard, plenty water. The price is \$8500.00, subject to a mortgage of \$1800.00, which is payable at \$215.00 a year, which payment includes the interest. Owner will take residence property worth \$2500.00 to \$3500.00, and second mortgage for difference.

We have a party just buying a 10-acre tract outside of the city limits, worth \$2500.00. Would like to borrow \$1500.00 for three to five years.

We have some splendid trades for property in this valley.

Security Land & Savings Co.

WIN \$800.00 OR FORD SEDAN

ANSWER THIS PUZZLE THAT'S ALL.

WHO ARE THEY?
1 CHICKEN WED NEAL 2 FUR DUST IN MAN
3 A RED ACE WILL 4 GUNTS FOR ELSEE
5 BIE LADY CAR 6 WES I AM REAL ILL
7 HER CAR LAYS 8 ART WINS AT TEA
9 NOMMAD AT LARGE 10 AN ACE COOK JIG

Can You Solve This Movie Puzzle?
Here's a new puzzle that's as simple as A-B-C. Everybody can solve it, from grandma to baby Jim. The operator of a Movie Machine in a theater decided to play a joke on his audience, so he re-arranged the names of 10 Movie Stars and threw them on the screen. The above picture shows how they look. To solve the puzzle all you have to do is to rearrange the letters of the 10 funny sentences so that they will spell the correct actors' or actresses' names. For instance No. 1 is Helene Chadwick. Everybody knows who she is. If you can name all ten you can win the Ford Sedan or \$500.

Probably you know the names of the most famous Movie Stars, but just to refresh your memory, we are listing below a few of them—Charley Chaplin, Alice Brady, Tom Moore, Walter Reid, Charles Ray, Theda Bara, Jackie Coogan, Etta Ferguson, Douglas Fairbanks, Norma Talmadge, Dustin Farnum, Anita Stewart, Pearl White, Earle Williams, Mary Pickford.

185 "Points" Wins First Prize
You will receive 10 "Points" in the Movie Puzzle Game for each name that you arrange correctly, or 100 "Points" if all will be given to you if you can arrange all the Movie Star names the way they were in the first place. You can gain 50 more "Points" by qualifying your answer. That is by proving that you have shown a copy of our paper—The Rural Weekly, to five people. The final 25 "Points" will be awarded by the three final judges to the person sending in the best correct answer.

The answer gaining 185 "Points" (which is the maximum) will win the Ford Sedan or \$500 in cash. The second highest will win a \$200 Diamond Ring, and so on down the list of the 25 big prizes. In case of a tie, both answers will receive the same prize. Send in your answer TODAY. As soon as it arrives, samples of The Rural Weekly will be sent to you FREE to assist you in qualifying.

Costs Nothing to Try—You Can Win
You will not be asked to subscribe to The Rural Weekly; nor to spend one penny in order to win. We have given away over a hundred automobiles and thousands of other prizes. You can be the next lucky one. Be sure that your name and address appear on your puzzle solution. You can win the Ford Sedan or \$500 in this contest—Answer the puzzle NOW.

The Puzzle Man—92 E. Fourth St.—St. Paul, Minn.

There Is No Economy In Poor Vision

PEOPLE can economize on clothing. They can pare the household appropriation. The old car can be driven another season. Improvements on the property can be deferred. But glasses must be secured when they are needed.

There is no scale of values by which the worth of good vision may be reckoned. Like good health, it is absolutely necessary for the performance of our daily duties and the full enjoyment of life itself. Such a priceless possession must be safeguarded, whatever the cost.

Delay in securing glasses for weakening eyes is not economizing but the costliest kind of folly. You are not only experiencing discomfort, perhaps suffering, and depriving yourself of your full efficiency, but every day the eyes are without the assistance they need, their natural powers are retrograding the faster.

Good vision is the most inexpensive thing you can secure. The small expense of proper lenses fitted by competent professional people makes the cost of good vision insignificant. If your eyes are not functioning properly if you have any reason to suspect that, as a matter of economy you should consult a reliable Optometrist at once.

J. H. PEARE & SON
Optometrists