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CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

Bible Thought for Today

GLADNESS IN SERVICE.—Serve the Lord with gladness. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lor dis good—Psalm 100:2, 5.

WHITE AND ALLEN.

The controversy between William Allen White, Emporia editor, and Governor Henry J Allen, of Kansas, becoms much more interesting when one knows the two men, realizes how from kids they have grown into men of affairs, and how the split has occurred.

William Allen White never was a politician, as some believe who do not know him. He has always been an edtion of marked ability but lacking in diplomacy so essential for political success. He therefore never aspired to office and we do not believe has any political aspirations at the present time. He has been for the public because like many of us, he knew what it was to want things and want them badly when he could not get them; he has felt the pangs of poverty; he has known the two bit meal, the dingy boarding house when a young chap, and all of those things that harmonize and become a part of a nine-dollar-a-week employe.

Governor Allen was not born with a silver spoon in his teeth by any means for he used to be a barber in North Topeka, just about the time when Charley Curtis, now United States senator, was driving a horse cab in Topeka. But Governor Allen sees big business in a little differnt light than does Bill White. Allen thinks he can, through his court of Industrial Relations, actually regulate the big fellow and the laborer as well. While many of us believe he ih fighting a natural law as hard to conquer as the law of gravity, Allen sincerely believes he can do it. In order to accomplish his result he saw that his law must curb public utterances in time of strikes, so it was put in the law.

William Allen White, who is used to spitting on his hands when defied, especially when his right of free speech or free pen is denied, tackled the governor's pet law, hence the fight is on.

When the Industrial Court was first created we believe the people of Kansas stood a majority in favor of it, for Kansas is an agricultural state largely and prevention of strikes and labor troubles sounded good. But after the first try-out when the governor was compelled to draft college students and put them in coal mines in the Pittsburg, Kansas, coal district there occurred what seemed to be a change of sentiment. Then, when Tom McNeil, a real farmer's advocate, entered the race for governor and showed up the expense of the Industrial Court the farming population of Kansas began to doubt its wisdom.

Now comes William Allen White, who will attack another side of the Industrial Court, shewing that the country literary society in Kansas cannot in winter debate a strike question if there is a strike on, and White will pull the Kansas people to him by the thousands.

President Harding can well afford to listen to what Bill White has to say and to be guided in a measure, at least, by this editor who has no office to hold, none to seek, no monetary ambition and does not even seek publicity.

BLACKMAILING WITH INITIATIVE AS WEAPON.

Oregon is confronted with a straight out case of attempted blackmail by parties using the initiative as a weapon. This is a strong statement, but its truthfulness is apparent when a man like Frank M. Warren, positively above reproach and a citizen of high standing in the state, makes an affidavit stating that demand for $10,000 was made by parties before they filed the initiative measure affecting the fishing industry of the state.

This is no light matter. It tells of a condition existing that is very dangerous to both public and private business. When it is possible for anyone to use a legal process such as the initiative to extort money from industry it would seem that punishment of the severest form should be meted out, and if the laws are not sufficient for such punishment let them be revised and made for the purpose.

Oregon's editors met and resolved on several important questions at their annual session. Among these were the religious and anti-religious matter now clamoring public attution, political advertising as compared with legal advertising, the proper kind of bathing suits at Oregon beaches, and many other questions of equal importance to the state at large.

Reversing the old advice of "begin at the bottom" robbers in the Paulsen building at Spokane started at the eleventh floor and robbed every safe deposit vault to the basement. They netted about $100,000 for their trouble, showing that breaking precedent sometimes pays as well as breaking locks.

Ontario and the whole interior country are entitled to a full and complete hearing on whether the Southern Pacific or the Union Pacific should have a chance to make promises to them for future railroad development. Bill Hanley has the floor; make it snappy, Bill.

John Gratke succeeded in getting the National Editorial Association in session at Missoula to endorse the Portland 1915 exposition. Evidently those editors are not as hard boiled as the Oregon legislature where John worked so diligently without success.

They are talking about reducing salaries of the shipping board members. Must not reduce "Our George's" salary for he might decide to return to Oregon and run for the senate some of these days, and that would set the wheels to buzzing.

The latest candidate for the insane asylum is a barber in Portland who with his tin lizzie tried to beat a Southern Pacific train to a given point. He now has no car and is lying in the hospital amid many flowers sent by members of his family.

Now that the Highway commission and the governor have made Oregon by automobile they probably have had to build a few additions to their imaginations to encompass and retain the many fine things they saw.

Keeping step with the sunny southland Ralph Watson of the Portland Journal, in reporting the alleged Klan escapade in Medford, heads it "Oregon Night Rider Case Under Way."

Federal Judge Bean sent a fellow to jail for six months for giving false evidence in federal court. Wow, guess the next witness will either remember or keep his mouth shut.

With Marshfield suffering a fire loss of $200,000 it is clearly necessary that everyone exercise care and caution during these hot dry months.

Count that day lost when a new home is not started at a reasonable cost—in La Grande.

Gets Back to Uncle Sam.

The French government is said to be playing a second game with regard to the German reparation problem. It all hangs on the action of Great Britain. The French, admitting Germany's difficulty in making the reparation payments, but their willingness to be lenient with Germany if Britain will be lenient with France, Britain has suggested that very thing, more than once, but has always wanted France to act first, and has delayed also in the hope that America would take the initiative in being lenient with Britain. France, always canny in business deals, wants Britain to take the first step. The idea is that Britain should cancel the war debts owed her by France, or a large part of them, then France will do the same for Germany, and the European situation will be eased.

Great Britain may be induced to do it, at that, for British statesmen and business men no longer indulge the delusion that international war debts can be paid in full. It may, too, that if this policy is followed, the United States in the course of time will fall into line and make concessions to some of her foreign debtors, especially France, which are not contemplated now. Many Americans believe such action would pay in the end, by aiding in a general reconstruction and business revival, and many do not.

He is a Gas Taster.

A new occupation has been created by a Washington, D. C., citizen who knows the correct taste of good gasoline. The man purchased some gas at a station, but returned almost immediately to say that the gas was mostly water.

The men at the station were indignant, protesting that they mixed no water with the fuel and that they knew none was put in before it came to them. The purchaser then shocked them by saying, "But I tasted it, I tell you, and I know there is water in it."

A test was made, at the manager's request, and to the general surprise, a good deal of water was found. That caused a thorough investigation with the result that the guilty party was located. Heavy rains had caused the formation of a pool of water at the tank intake. The latter had a leak which permitted the entrance of the water.

After that the gasoline expert who had been called in to make the test said the sky limit, no matter what his present occupation or salary could make a fortune testing gas for oil companies.

It's a new field, and probably open to any enterprising man or woman.

Kisses for Statesmen.

We read, in a description of a scene in the French Chamber of Deputies when Viviani made a stirring speech:

"The deputies jumped to their feet waving their arms wildly, and M. Poincare rushed to M. Viviani and kissed him on both cheeks. Others embraced and the premier and ex-premier, and for several minutes there was an excess of enthusiasm."

We sometimes have an "excess of enthusiasm" in our Senate or House of Representatives. Sometimes our lawmakers clap their hands, sometimes they yell and sometimes when there are marked differences of opinion they use their fists. The proceedings of congress do not generally seem to have been marked at Washington.

But congress latterly have a habit of trying to spread across international boundaries. And the French example is catching. Didn't we read of Americans having kissed some French statesmen a few weeks ago? We shall expect any time now, to learn of Senator Lodge being subjected to a barrage of kisses after a oratorical attack on the league, or of Senator Joe Robinson being kissed by all his fellow-congressmen on his next birthday.

AUTO CAMP BENEFICIAL

(By Associated Press)

SALEM, Ore., July 25.—Automobile camp grounds are a great help in bringing new residents to a town, Salem has found. Last week a Minneapolis family arrived at the camp grounds here late evening and bought a home the next day. Several other homes here have been sold this summer to tourists who have stayed for a time at the auto park.

THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIUS—

GEORGE DID IT!

George Olds has resigned,
The big show is o'er;
Help feed the poor.

He was after the bootleggers,
The thugs and the cops;
And for six months in office,
He made them all hop.

But George couldn't do it,
The gang was too strong;
So back to his market,
Wiser and sadder he's gone.

The optimist has a good time wherever he goes because he carries his good times with him.

ALL ON THE PAYROLL, BUT—

Factory Visitor—How many men work here?

Factory Owner—About half of them.

A man is paid for what he knows and he pays for that which he doesn't know.

TO SOME EXTENT.

"Have a cool summer. These thermometers won't register over eighty."

"But that's fooling yourself."

"Well, you feel yourself when you turn the clock back, don't you?"

A girl does not have to be pretty at all more to attract the fellows if—her father is a bootlegger.

SMARTY SMITHERS.

Smarty Smithers bought an auto and he started out to ride, with his registration number and a cigarette besides. And he climbed the hills and mountains in his phaeton each day going down into the valley oftentimes upon his way. Smarty Smithers was a fellow who believed in driving fast, but he never had to worry in regard to tires at least, for his dad had lots of money and he paid them for his auto anytime "was necessary, he could buy another one! Smarty Smithers was delighted when he stepped upon the gas, beatiree off the other fellow, who was trying hard to pass! As his Daddy owned the railroad, Smarty thought he owned the road, so he drove along the center, coaching motorists were his rule! So the motorist behind him had to follow with delay till he turned around the corner at the parting of the way. Smarty Southern reached the crossing as the train was coming on, and he heard the whistle blowing there amid the smoke and dirt. He believed in taking chances, so he never stopped at all, till he reached the middle section, then, his engine seemed to stall! You can ask the undertaker for a full analysis.

As long as you can dry her tears at the dry spots times and pa can wet his whistle at a friendly bootlegger's all will be well.

ROADSIDE FACILITIES.

Tourist—"I say, my friend, can you direct me to the nearest filling station?"

Native Son—"Wal, that sorter depends. If ye want gas, there's a garage 'round that corner, but (confidentially) if yer hip-pocket flask needs fillin' I reckon I kin fix ye up myself, if you'll step over to the barn with me."

ANOTHER GOLF RECOMMENDATION.

Golf not only improves your general health but enables you to understand the jokes in the comic weeklies.

N. K. West & Co.

THE QUALITY STORE

Very New Footwear

For Women and Misses

Our ladies shoe department is showing some very new and interesting styles in footwear from the new fall lines.

The two-strap pump illustrated here is one of the best. It is of fine dark brown calf with nake colored suede straps and trimmings. The heel is low and broad, the buckles are brass. The shoe is an

"ARMSTRONG" MAKE

and we have it now in sizes AAA to D widths. Priced at $10.00.

New Patent Leather Pumps

Two very new and popular patterns in patent leather pumps have just arrived.

One a low broad sandal pattern, two straps and buckles, is priced at $5.50.

Another pump with military heel and tore sole, has a cut out design at the side and a single wide strap. It is a very neat fitting and dressy pump. Priced at $6.50.

A Foot Comfort Service Here

This store maintains a foot comfort service at all times.

Do not allow your feet to become tired, aching or in any way uncomfortable. Very often a weakness or problem that may be corrected in its early stage.

An examination is free—no obligation whatever.

Chautauqua July 21st to 27th

Market News

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, July 25.—Cattle were weak and 25 to 50 cents lower in several classes. Choice steers were $7.50 to $8. Hogs were steady and sheep were steady with mountain lambs selling for $10 to $11 and choice valley lambs for $9 to $10. Eggs and butter were unsettled. Wheat was $1.04 to $1.09.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE SOON

(By Associated Press)

BERKELEY, Cal., July 25.—Football practice at the University of California will begin about September 15, under the direction of Coach Andy Smith, assisted by his old trio of helpers, Walter Gordon, "Boles" Rosenthal and "Nibs" Price.

Captain Charles Erb is among the veterans who will be on hand, along with "Brick" Mueller, Bob Berkey and "Brodie" Stephens.

Many years ago the drama was the sole entertainment of theatre-goers, but of late a good comedy drama is seldom presented. Tonight, however, Union county people will see a real old-fashioned comedy presented in dramatic form by a troupe of splendid actors. 7-25-1t

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Prevailing Conditions Demand Close Co-operation Between The Retail Dealer And His Customers

A closer co-operation between the consumer and dealer must exist before conditions improve.

Everybody should work for the promotion of those things which have to do with the betterment of the community.

THE DEALER'S PART

As retail pharmacists, we have always endeavored to provide the people of this locality with modern drug store service. Such a service embodies many requisites—an ample stock, right quality and a constant effort to save customers something on the price of drugs and sundries.

THE CUSTOMER'S BIT

You can assist the return of good times by dealing with your local merchants and by purchasing liberally of the things which you actually need.

Yours for Co-operation

Newlin Drug Co.