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LEVEL HEADED THINKING.

A vice president of the United States usually keeps quiet, does nothing and fills out his term without being noticed. We hardly believe Calvin Coolidge is that kind of a vice president. His recent visit to Oregon carried all the dignity that was necessary; he kept his mouth closed only on one occasion, but then he delivered a speech that is a mighty fine document. That he is a good level-headed old fashioned thinker is apparent from the doctrine he expounded.

To give Observer readers an idea of what Coolidge advocates, the following important points of his speech are produced:

The chief concern of all the peoples of the earth is their national finances.

The public debt at its peak was \$26,600,000,000; this has now been reduced to less than \$23,000,000,000. More than \$11,000,000,000 is due our country from governments abroad.

Ultimately a reduction in the cost of government will be reflected in the cost of living.

The requirements of our government which must be met by taxation run close to \$3,500,000,000 for a fiscal year. About one tenth of this is provided from import duties and the other nine tenths from our different sources of internal revenue.

It is a very attractive theory to most of us to suppose that some means might be devised by which the rich few would pay all of the taxes. However it is only the great American public that has the strength adequate to respond. Directly or indirectly, it is the ultimate consumer, whether he appreciates it or not, who pays most of the taxes.

There is a very distinct limit to the amount of taxes which can be laid without destroying their source. It was with this principle in view that surtaxes were reduced. The excess profits tax was repealed.

The other source of revenue is the duty on imports. Our country has always been favorable to the policy of protection. To that end the congress is enacting a tariff law. Primarily, it is to protect agriculture; secondarily, to prevent that practice of selling foreign goods in our markets at less than their cost of production at home.

For the maintenance of agriculture the federal reserve land banks were relieved by an appropriation of \$35,000,000 with which they could extend their credits.

A program which likewise has in view national defense and national economic advantage is sponsored in Washington by the president in an effort to create an American merchant marine.

It is only in recent years that our country has given serious consideration to its relationship to the rest of the world. With a true world vision our country has taken the lead in a great liberal movement. The Washington conference established the foundation of a new relationship among the great powers. If our citizens will but continue in their international relationship, asserting the rights of American citizens with firmness, acknowledging the rights of others with generosity, they will come into the possession of a new peace.

FORUM

LETTER FROM BISHOP PADDOCK.

The following letter from Bishop Paddock has been received by Judge J. D. Slater of La Grande. The Bishop asks that it be read by members of St. Peter's church, as well as all of his friends in this county. It is dated at 281 Fourth avenue, New York City, on July 29th, and is as follows:

My Dear Friends—As one of my trusted friends and associate in the Master's work in Eastern Oregon, I must tell you that I have reached the conclusion that I must resign as your Bishop, at the coming General Convention in Portland.

I have been with you in this difficult yet wonderful field for nearly fifteen years. They have been years of sorrow and joy, disappointment and accomplishment yet very precious years to me, for I have discovered and proved many faithful friends and most of all the incomparable friendship of the Master in times of loneliness and great need.

Eight years ago I had a serious breakdown from overwork, and in France during the war, came near breaking again. For the past three years I have been fighting against another breakdown which led me low with nervous prostration last February. Since then I have been able to do nothing.

The nerve specialists tell me that to go back and go on would prove fatal; that it would be practically committing suicide—whereas to resign now and rest for probably a year, then take up a totally different kind of work, I may be able to have years of useful service ahead of me.

I suppose I must admit that what has really broken my heart and broken me in body also have been the disloyal and slanderous charges which enemies have brought against me when I was prostrated.

I hope I can keep saying with the Master "Father forgive them for they know not what they do."

It is a comfort and satisfaction to leave you in charge of dear Archdeacon Van Waters, so efficient and always loyal. I rely on every one of you,

absolutely, to stand by him. I delegate you to share this letter with all our Members.

It breaks my heart to think of leaving all of you tried and true friends and fellow workers. Even more, if I may say so, to leave the field which I think of as my very own child, whom I love as a fond father.

Knowing that I can rely on your sympathy and prayers, I commend you to God's holy keeping, trusting the Church to give you a Leader who can do much more than I have been able to do, I remain with great affection Your devoted Minister and Bishop

ROBERT L. PADDOCK

MITE APPEARS IN VALLEY

According to County Agent H. C. Avery the mite sucks the juice from the leaves eating them and the fruit to fall off. The damage is considerable when they are allowed to infest an orchard and in the two orchards mentioned it is expected to practically destroy the crop.

Precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of the pest and it is thought that no other orchards in the county will be affected. Examination failed to discover signs of the mite in any other orchards in the vicinity.

In the infected orchards a number of prunes has already dropped off. It is difficult to check the mite out in the orchards where it has appeared by spraying. However, some success may be had by the use of one gallon of liquid lime sulphur to 50 gallons of water or three pounds of dry lime sulphur to 50 gallons. It is also recommended that orchards be kept well irrigated thus giving the trees a chance to combat the ravages of the pest.

The red mite has appeared in the Graines Rende valley several times. In addition to the raspberries that were damaged about six weeks ago, it has appeared in other shrub plants since then. Prunus which is expected to eventually eradicate the spider, although it is difficult to cut the trees and plants of it at this time.

THE OFFICE CAT

—BY JUNIUS—



THE LATEST

"All the world's a stage."
"Hear we're gonna have a joint skit chorus this winter," remarked Uncle Tobe snarl of Kicker county.

A straight path's a lot easier to travel than a crooked one, but some folks don't seem to know it.

LIKE AN ELEPHANT

While in the country last summer a little city boy saw his first baby pig, and it made a great impression on him. So great was the impression, in fact, that the youngster made the pig the first object of his concern when the family again visited the country place this spring.

"Where is my little piggie?" he immediately inquired.

"Come with me and I'll show you," his mother kindly replied.

When the city boy reached the pen with his companion and saw that looked to be about eight hundred pounds pork "on the hoof" he was dumfounded.

"And did that little piggie grow as much as that in one year?"

"Yes."

In open-eyed wonder the boy exclaimed, "Gee! I betcha when I come back next summer he'll have a trunk!"

AN ODE TO A DOG AND A CAT

Fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas,
Fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas,
Fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas,
Fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas, fleas.

Marriage troubles a man. It gives him so much to do he hasn't time for foolishness.

"What's in a name?" Try to use somebody's else at the bottom of a check and you'll find out.

YOUR MONEY OR YOUR LIFE

The other day when I reached home I said unto my wife,
"I know you will be happy, dear, I've just insured my life."
And so if I should meet my death tomorrow, let me say,
A check for fifty thousand
Will be yours that very day,
I know 'twould make her happy,
So I took her by the hand
And waited for the answer—
And she said, "Wou't that be grand?"

A cowman from Medicine Bow stepped into a cigar store in Chicago and asked for a match.

"Matches," replied the clerk, "are for sale, not to give away."

"How much are they?"
"One cent a box,"
The cowman bought a box, and handed it back after taking out a match. "Here," he said, "put that back on your shelf, and when a gentleman asks you for a light give him one."

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Mr. Pyburn died at the age of 36.

Now, when the office starts out to seek the man, it may find his wife.

A LINE TO GET 'EM
"Who'll be the first dealer to advertise: 'Get an automobile or an automobile will get you?'"

WHERE IT FALLS DOWN
Prof:—"Do you believe in a more elastic currency?"
Schol:—"No, it's elastic enough. Why not make it more adhesive?"

FRANCE WANTS INFORMATION

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Aug. 17.—Members of the reparations commission met informally today for the discussion of possibilities reaching to a compromise that would be acceptable to France and Great Britain. Poincare has ordered the French debt commission to return to Paris from Washington immediately to report the results of its conversations with American officials regarding the debt which France owes the United States.

Horse Fell on Back and Plowed Up Earth for Several Feet near Cove

(Special to The Observer)
COVE, Aug. 17.—Ernest Bell, a young rancher at Cove, was seriously injured yesterday while riding a bucking horse. He was thrown from the horse and landed on his face. The horse turned a somersault, landing on the man's back and plowed up the earth for twenty feet with the man pinned under him. When Mr. Bell was finally rescued he was found to be terribly bruised. His back was twisted and several bones broken and it was thought that he was injured internally. He was taken to the hospital at La Grande and was still unconscious twenty-four hours after the accident.

George Anderson of Cove has been taken to the hospital at La Grande for an operation for appendicitis.

UNCLE SAM HAS NEW PROBLEM

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Settlement of the bituminous miners strike and the prospect of ending or suspending the anthracite coal strike brought the government face to face with the new problem of controlling prices of the augmented supply.

LINGERING ILLNESS TAKES JOHN PYBURN

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years and one month and is survived by his wife. He was born on July 15, 1886, in Eugene City, Oregon, and has spent several years in this section of the country.

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