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God?—Micah 6: 8.
HAVE FAITH IN GOD:—And Jesus said unto him: Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.—Mark 10: 52.

Washington's Youngest Hostess



The youngest woman who yet has ventured to act as hostess for Washington society is Miss Elizabeth Hanna, daughter of the late Dan Hanna and granddaughter of Mark Hanna.

WALTER M. PIERCE, GOVERNOR

By M. L. Carter, Allice

Pierce traveled over Oregon, from coast to coast, and valleys to the border of the sea. Explaining to her citizens his tax reduction plan. That while there's life there's hope in all vicissitudes of man. Though taxes are enormous and have brought the people grief. He's to lighten up the burden with some bonafide relief. Now he's governor, elected, and we're proud proud of his renown. He's the idol of his county and his old home town.

In the days of financing of the valley and river lands. When the cuppers for perdition seemed to have the upper hand. Then Pierce would preach "economy" and methods safe and sane. But the people had the crazy spending habit on the brain. If they had a public meeting there were many to assist. They didn't want to listen to that damned old pessimist. Since our taxes knock us silly and our debts have got us down. He's the idol of his county and his old home town.

Avoid the loud mouthed optimist who shouts about his "off". The loose financial parasite who don't know when to stop. He fools the trusting public with his optimistic cry. Then crawls into his hole until all danger passes by. Then the people have discovered that an optimist is a big liar. In one who works and ever keeps, who counts the cost and when success his efforts crown. He's the idol of his county and his old home town.

When Pierce directs, as governor, the Good old Chip of State. And scans the crowds around him that's to help him navigate. He'll see the man with capital who falls to do his part. The lazy, the shiftless worker with a Bolshevik heart. Then, Ku Klux, single taxer and moonshiner artist, too. Now who could run a ship with such a "devil" of a crew? But still we've faith in Oregon, her captain in the lead. Will find there's honest thousands to assist him in his need. And we've faith in hell come back home again and bring well merited renown. The idol of his county and his old home town.

Composed by M. L. Carter, Allice, Ore., Union County.

OF RUMOR

Bacon made an interesting analysis of rumor, which he calls by the name of "fame." The tremendous power which rumor exerts was made use of by past rulers for their own ends. He cites the following instances: "Macedonian would Vitellius by a fame that he scattered that Vitellius had in purpose to remove the legions of Syria into Germany, and the legions of Germany into Syria; whereupon the legion of Syria were infinitely inflamed. Julius Caesar took Pompey unprovided, and laid asleep his industry and preparations by a fame that he cunningly gave out, how Caesar's own soldiers loved him not, and being wearied with the wars and laden with the spoils of Gaul, would forsake him as soon as he came into Italy. Livy settled all things for the succession of her son Tiberius, by continual giving out that her husband Augustus was upon recovery and amendment. There be a thousand such examples; and the more they are, the less they need to be repeated; because a man meeteth with them everywhere."

Rumor may in some cases be more powerful than the open dissemination of information, for it stimulates the imagination, and those whom it reaches may be cited to far more drastic action than would be the case if they knew the actual facts. As men grow to think for themselves, to reason clearly and logically, the questionable effects of rumor will grow weaker.

Today's Events.

Discovery of the tomb of Louis Pasteur, whose discovery of the cure for hydrophobia places him among the greatest benefactors of the human race.
Thirty years ago today the foundation stone was laid for the Cathedral at St. John the Divine, New York City, which is only now nearing completion.
Timber shatters, one of the most pressing economic problems of the times, and the best way to solve this problem is to be discussed at the New England Timber Conference, which opens in Boston today for a session of three days.

The Welcome (?) Insurance Man

When an insurance man takes up your time very often one tries to invent schemes to politely get rid of him. We are all alike on this matter, and yet the insurance man is quite a blessing, after all.

When Joe Carr's store burned, like everybody else in business, he did not know how much insurance he carried. He ran up the figures in his head but he could not just remember where the policies were, in what company his insurance was carried, nor who the agents were. After chasing down several agents he thought he had it all corralled. But he did not, for L. W. Weeks showed up with a policy, saying, "Don't you remember how you tried to stand me off for this insurance but I would not take no for an answer and you finally bought it?" Sure enough, Joe remembered. Later "Cap" Currey hove in sight with another \$2,000 which Joe had not thought of, for one day "Cap" hastened into the store, gave Joe the rush act and got his name to the dotted line while Joe was selling a range to a lady and not thinking about insurance.

So, keep a green place in your mind for the insurance bound. He may annoy you about his wares, but he is a mighty handy fellow to have seen and done business with when a fire like Joe Carr had hits one's business.

A 1923 Motto

Roger W. Babson, prince of statisticians, talks like a football quarterback. "All together, now. One, two, three—snap the ball. It's good. He suggests as a 1923 motto, 'Bite off more than you can chew—then chew it.' Prosperity depends not on chance, but on individuals, he says. The gods help those who help themselves. Put your shoulder to the wheel."

The speaker, a seer of the business world, sees prosperity ahead. He finds the crop situation distinctly better, monetary conditions favorable, the merchandise situation healthy, and the basic industries well liquidated and in strong condition. He bases his conclusion on guess, that good times are ahead on his knowledge of the American capacity for work.

Discussing the labor situation, he says high wages never hurt any community. What is needed is production and more production, so that there will be more to divide among the producers. It is important that the workman enjoys the labor he is doing, the statistician says.

What Will Be the Result?

There is a new year dawning, and with it comes the terrible news from Europe that before the yuletide again hovers over the world Europe will break asunder and there will be anarchy in many of the countries.

That probably is the natural conclusion after so much time has been spent attempting to right things with utter failure marking every move. But let us try to view the situation in a more cheerful light. The hard winter will take its toll in Europe. All the work possible to do will not prevent much disaster. But as the spring comes perhaps the frame of mind of the European will change. Perhaps he will see that continuation of this turmoil and strife leads only to the quick end. When that frame of mind does arrive a leader will appear to lead the multitude, and with such a leader we can expect order, but not until then.

"Bite off more than you can chew—then chew it," is a good working rule for everybody. Faith and hard work will do the rest.

An Unexpected Horror in America

The developments in that Louisiana kidnapping and murder case are most revolting. Especially so when we pride ourselves in living in a country where law is king. Apparently a few citizens in that state have taken the law into their own hands, probably at first to correct minor abrasions of the law in communities which were not looked after by officers elected for that purpose, but with the final outcome that too frequently occurs when the mob is permitted to rule.

The idea of kidnapping two citizens was bad enough, but to break their bones before death and then kill them, depositing their bodies in a lake is almost beyond human belief.

Roy Ritner cannot be accused of being selfish, for he made way for Louie Bean to act as governor while Governor Oleott is in the east. Nothing like passing these titles around.

Opera singers are said to prefer singing for a phonograph to singing on the stage, possibly because in a phonograph nothing can be thrown at them.

"Tis 'Home, Sweet Home' indeed, now that the courts have decreed the right of a man to get drunk there.

One reason why home life is dying out in America is that at such short range the wife's aim is deadly.

THE OFFICE CAT

CONDITION SERIOUS

Amos Tash is confined to his bed following the holidays with a severe attack of flatpocketbookitis. His full recovery is not looked for under three months.

SUSIE MINDS HER PA

"That fellow Phipps comes here too much," said Susan's father grim. "We'll have to put a stop to that. You must sit down on him." Now, Susan is a nice, good girl. Respects parental powers. So, when your Phipps came, 'round last night, she sat on him for hours.

Make—"Does yuh really love me or does yuh jes' think yuh do?" Moka—"Yes, indeed. Honey, I really loves yuh; I ain't done any thinkin' yet."

You may have noticed that the nearer wrong a man is the more impatient he is of criticism. If a man is too darn stubborn to agree with anybody, he is intellectual.

You can always tell by the grease spots on the cushions whether the garage man you told to go over the car, thoroughly does.

"Great stenographer you have there. Sure takes notes in a hurry." "Sure does. She'll be a pippin when she gets so she can read 'em."

The business of heaving a deep sigh will be in order when Max and Metilde have leaped off.

ASININE

Johnson was attending a temperance lecture. "If I lead a donkey up to a pail of water and to a pail of beer, which will he choose to drink?" queried the speaker. "The water," said Johnson. "Yes, and why?" "Because he's an ass," was Johnson's reply.

Ever stop a think what would the world do if it were not for safety pins, gargles Amos Tash.

People who cannot afford a trip around the world may be able to gather some pointers from Jiggs and Maggie.

Noticed that it is usually the persons who are not up on a thing that are down on it.

GOTTA BE CAREFUL

There was a man who loved the bees. He always was their friend. He used to sit upon their hives. They stung him in the end.

And we have noticed that the man whose religion won't let him fight can make more insulting remarks than any fighting man.

Smith—"Do you believe in heredity?" Brown—"Do I? Why, I've got four of the smartest children you ever saw."

Remember when they used to reach around to the back and raise their skirts a little as they stepped on the wet crossings?

Before marrying, every young lady should test her suitor's disposition by making him carry a mattress upstairs.

"How do you meet your expenses?" "Going and coming."

ELECTRICITY'S NEW COURSE

France has begun the electrification of more than 5000 miles of railroad. Italy plans to substitute electric power for coal on its state-owned lines and Mexico will copy the St. Paul system and electrify the mountainous line from Vera Cruz to the capital.

The electric locomotive and the overhead or trolley system for operation have proved that they can mount heavy grades and move trains as swiftly as can steam locomotives. They have the advantage, which is a great one in local train service, in the speed with which trains may be stopped and started.

Electricity saves coal and the railroad now burns about a quarter of all the bituminous mined. It is clean and the day is doubtless not far away when the smoking locomotive will never appear in any big city. The substitution of electric power will be a benefit to the whole country, but it will cost an immense sum of money. As this substitution is bound to come it is one more reason for placing railroad control in one hand, so that outgo and income may be rationally noted out, thus enabling the roads to provide funds for their next vast step forward in transportation.

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Beauty Bombed



A bomb, which she says was carelessly placed in too close proximity to her pulchritude and nervous system, has caused Harriet Hammond, former bathing beauty, to sue the Fox Vaudeville Co. for \$125,000. The beauty charges that injuries received when bomb exploded will prevent her from appearing in such attire as above.

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The bright side of the Far East situation is this side of the Atlantic.

MUSIC
of joy and peace for the Yuletide Season

W. H. Bohnenkamp Co.

Random Remarks

When winter comes, arrival of the seed catalog cannot be far behind.

Germany, it is reported, faces ruin. It ought to be used to it by this time.

Andrew Carnegie is said to have had a fear of dying rich. Henry Ford is not troubled that way.

France might take over the visible supply of German marks and use of them for stuffing mattresses.

If Job lived in these days he would find everybody waiting to be shown that he had the most patience.
It is beginning to look as though the situation in the Near East depends on its crisis to keep going.
What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to demonstrate his sociability by passing a plug of tobacco around?

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