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LAW OF LOVE:—Love worketh no ill to his neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.—Romans 13:10.

America's National Parks

Every year about this time comes the report of the director of national parks, and it invariably records gratifying progress. The popularity of these great pleasure grounds has been greatly increased by the automobile. Last year of the more than 1,200,000 visitors 60 per cent traveled in their own cars. Before the advent of the automobile and the improvement of the roads which it necessitate, there was some truth in the assertion that the parks were chiefly for a few who could afford to take the long journeys by railroads. But the past and other recent summers have witnessed hundreds of thousands of American families of moderate means traveling in their car and camping out both in the park and along the way. Commenting on the fact that more than two-thirds of the total "camped out," the director of parks remarks that "it is obvious that the national parks are among the most popular institutions fostered by the government."

It is just 50 years since the first national park not only in the United States, but in the world, that in the Yellowstone district, was established. Since then seventeen others have been acquired. The Yellowstone attracted about 100,000 visitors during the past season, being exceeded in popularity only by the Rocky Mountain, Yosemite and Hot Springs, Ark., reservations. It is most fortunate that the government has been able to preserve these places of scenic beauty unspoiled by commercialism. In the truest sense these examples of nature's wonders belong to the people, and as time goes on they will more and more appreciate their advantages and avail themselves of them.

Little Ideas Valuable

Inventors and others who serve the race often die in poverty, their labor unrewarded. One reason, possibly, is the simplicity of ideas which are presented. Frequently when an originator has described his discovery, the comment is, "Of course. Everyone knows that." Yet the idea may never have been put to practical use.

An instance is indicated in the announcement that oil tanks to be constructed in the future will be tall and slender rather than short and broad. It has been found that there is a considerable loss by evaporation of oil stored in tanks. Of course, everyone knows that the amount of evaporation bears relationship to the area of exposed surface of a liquid, but no one thought, to reduce the surface of stored oil until the man with the idea came along.

Such ideas are the product of understanding. The person who made the first bottle, with a neck instead of an opening as large as the base, probably had the same idea as he who suggested building more slender oil tanks. It was the custom of iron makers for years to throw away the roll-scale from the mill, although it is pure oxide of iron, because no one had demonstrated that it could be thrown back into the furnace profitably. A single idea can stop a leak that months of economy and routine office efficiency cannot even find.

One Little Pig

There is one happy little girl over in Sweden, and if loving means anything to a pig, there is a happy little porker there, too. The girl is Karin Arnoldson, and the pig, which is hers now, was presented to her by the king.

Of course the combination of girl, pig and royalty has a story behind it. His Majesty, you see, was out motoring one day, and his chauffeur bumped into the Arnoldson family hog and laid him low. It would have been the king's prerogative to keep right on going, according to all the popular notions of kings, but this one is different. He sent 'round to the Arnoldson place to let Karin know the pig would be replaced.

What an excited little girl she must have been! Little girls and big, remember the time when your own Daddy presented you with a pig, or a calf, or even a fluffy little chick? How tenderly you watched it, and cared for it, and fed it and tended it.

And then, when that pig, or calf, or chick grew up, Daddy forgot all about your right of proprietorship, and carted it to market, pocketing the badly-needed proceeds for the family purse. Let's hope that Karin's Daddy won't be inconsiderate when King Piggy gets to be a hog.

The man with an idea faces the task of getting others to take it as seriously as he does.

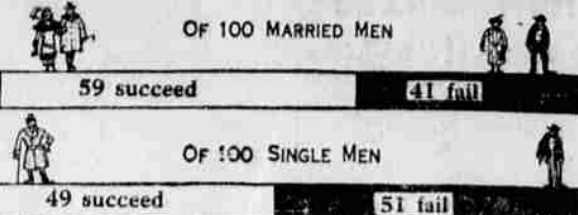
The man who goes out to hit the high spots should be sure that his tires are puncture-proof.

The jaws of ruin that Germany is said to be in seem to have rubber teeth.

A little henna now and then is relished by the wisest of women.

Angors and Moscow appear to be preparing to make trouble.

Figures Show That Marriage Makes Men More Successful



It is worldly wise maxim to the effect that "he travels fastest who travels alone" to go the way of other exploded fallacies? Is it, in the modern competitive struggle, the married man who more frequently succeeds?

Statisticians of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company recently had occasion to study this question, to sift the evidence in hundreds of cases. They found that the married man has the best chance to succeed. Among every hundred married men whose records were examined 59 had advanced so steadily that success was stamped upon their careers. Forty-one had "failed to make the grade." Among the single men, however, the failures outnumbered the successes. Fifty-one made records that were mediocre or worse, while 49 had succeeded.

FORUM

DISCUSSES APPLES

Editor Observer:—The fruit growers of this county, particularly those that have depended mainly on the apple, are now asking what they had better do, if advisable to hold on to the apple any longer or if it would pay to dig them out and plant something else. The writer has been in the game growing and marketing fruit for about thirty years and most of the time has found it almost impossible to sell our apples at a price making it worth while to grow them, and as a rule we have had to look for more markets nearly every year, so that I was convinced many years ago that the apple was the least profitable of the fruits that we can grow here and started to dig out my apple orchards and planting cherries and prunes instead, and truly advising everybody else to do the same. However, I am not so sure that the Amber and Alford cherries should be included in these come usings, because they have the best apple land and conditions in the county, and probably the poorest for cherries.

But, for all the foot hill slopes and certain locations around Union and along the river below La Grande, Pruitdale, May Park, Island City, and in spots on the river bottom around Elgin, the cherry has proven itself to be a satisfactory and very profitable crop to grow and it is a puzzle to me to understand why there has not been any more cherry trees planted to date, as we are fully warranted in planting ten times as many as we now have. It should not be necessary for me to prove that cherries have been paying something like \$200.00 per acre, above harvesting and packing expenses, on an average, for about fifteen years, in spite of poor crops and everything that actually reduced the average in that time. It may be true that certain other localities, among those mentioned, would fall below this but the frostiest I know of, in the past, have made splendid records. Every person who has had any cherry trees in the past several years, will tell you the same as I do, and confirm the desirability of planting all the cherry trees that you can, if located where they are known to make fair crops on the average.

The more frost and air drainage you have with moderately moist soil, black loam or clay and loam mixture on clay subsoil are the best, but cherries do well on gravelly soil, when not too much sand, and we have thousands of acres all around the valley in the foothills and slopes with splendid locations, as well as the districts around Union and below La Grande, etc., where there also is good air drainage.

The big canning companies are willing to sign up fifteen year contracts for canning cherries at \$100.00 per ton minimum price and the advance of the market any year, or at least 85 per cent of such advance; this alone should be ample guarantee and assurance for anybody to get busy getting a nice block of cherry trees started without delay.

The varieties to plant for best results both for crops and money returns, according to all our experiences, would be about an equal amount of Royal Ann, Bing, and Lamberts, with about ten per cent of Black Heart, Jubilees or Waterhouse for pinks, reds, or in any event, at least half should be blacks.

I know of an orchard in Cave, on a lower, rocky location, but one which has had first class care all the time, that since getting into bearing age has paid 9 per cent interest and taxes on \$4,000.00 per acre for the last 16 years, and most anybody should be safe in figuring to get at least half that much, which would be a mighty good thing yet.

Furthermore, a cherry orchard requires very little pruning or spraying and may be grown on land that will not grow any late crop for lack of late moisture; so there is every incentive for planting cherries, and to do it without loss of time.

KARL J. STACKLAND.

NEW HOSPITAL FINISHED

EUGENE, Jan. 13. — The public will have an opportunity to inspect the new Eugene hospital building prior to its opening at a reception planned for Saturday, January 20, according to announcement of hospital officials. The interior finishing of the building is nearing completion and the new modern surgical apparatus will be installed next week. The offices of the medical staff, which are at present maintained on Willamette street, will be moved to the new building this week, according to present plans.

Construction work on the new hospital was started last July and the building when fully equipped, according to plans of the owners, will represent one of the best and most efficient institutions of its kind in the northwest. The entire plant represents an outlay of approximately \$300,000.

THE OFFICE CAT

WHO?

Who is it, when I'm sad and blue And friends are cold and kind words few, Who soothes and comforts me—ah WHO?

"All the cussin' I ever did didn't do me any good," remembers Amos Tash. "Nor the other fellow any harm," he finishes a bit ruefully.

OF INTEREST

Man wants but little here below A poet's sentiment; The profiteer knock this sky-high. They want 100 per cent.

Amos Tash says the wisest woman in the world is the wife who can manage her husband without letting him know she has brains enough to do it.

The one best way for a man to lose his money is to invest it in a business he does not understand. It took more than a grave digger to build the Panama canal.

Insurance for a happy marriage is now proposed. No doubt sooner or later one of the contracting parties will want to cash in on the policy.

Some Cats Have Nine Lives. But This One Had 45 Kittens.

Maw, Emory, Duffin speaking: "Zat ces my Macinka, my Macinka. 'She ces a Bohemian cat and she makea verve fine mozzair for ze countree. She 'av forth-five babies. She ces example all ladde mozzairs."

If Shakespeare were alive today, opines somebody whose name we can't think of, his soliloquy might be "to bed or not to bed."

That Chicago man who economizes by smoking his cigar butts in his pipe, isn't so stingy after all. A contributor informs us that there's a fellow in his neighborhood who always holds back a couple of minutes when he tells anybody the time.

BRINGING UP FATHER (Apologies to George McManus)

Paw Allus pours his coffee. In his saucer when he drinks. But mother, she's just horrified. An' tells him 'at she thinks. A great big man like he is. Should surely oughta know. 'At if his coffee is too hot. He oughta drink it slow.

An' men w'en we have company Maw makes paw mad as sin. By tellin' him, "Don't use yer knife. Er tuck your napkin in underneath yer collar." Cause that hain't etiquette. And tells him how 't eat his soup. Like's if paw'd never et.

Nothing hurts as bad as having to play second fiddle in a fellow's own orchestra.

Some folks make their joys mere incidents and their sorrows great events.

PAVING IN PENDELTON PENDELTON, Jan. 13.—A total of 14,021 square yards of paving was laid in Pendleton in 1922, according to Street Commissioner Crabtree, who reported also a total of 29,775 square feet of sidewalk laid. Over 3,000,000 gallons of water was used to flush the city streets during the year. The value of the city street and sewer maintenance property is \$5500.

La Grande National Bank

Statement of December 29, 1922.

THIS BANK OWES:	
To Depositors	\$1,449,072.23
To the U. S. Treasury Department, account of circulating notes	240,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,689,072.23
WE HAVE OUR ASSETS ARRANGED AT ALL TIMES SO AS TO BE ABLE TO MEET ANY REQUEST FOR PAYMENT IMMEDIATELY.	
FOR THIS PURPOSE WE HAVE:	
(1) Cash in vault and deposited with legal depositories	\$ 279,413.93
(2) U. S. Government bonds	241,200.00
(3) Notes of individuals and corporations	1,238,173.47
(4) Real estate	666,444.44
(5) Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	7,338.80
TOTAL TO MEET LIABILITIES	\$1,522,340.94
THIS LEAVES SURPLUS OF	\$166,731.29
Which becomes the property of the Stockholders after the depositors are paid, and is guaranteed fund upon which we solicit new deposits and retain those which have been lodged with us for many years.	
Our listed resources enumerated in this statement do not and can not include those assets of friendliness and helpfulness which this bank has in the person of its board of directors, its officers and employees. These are assets which pay dividends to our patrons in service and satisfaction.	

ELKS, ATTENTION! Get Your Tickets for the Dance, January 15th



BROTHER ELKS! Are Requested to Attend the Ball January 15th

COMMENCING THE LAST WEEK OF THE

28TH

ANNUAL JAN. CLEARANCE SALE

A Final Clearance of All That Remains SALE ENDS SATURDAY JANUARY 20TH.



Greatest Sale of the Year of

MEN'S CLOTHING

Finest Clothing in America Sacrificed At Clearance Prices

1/4 off

Men of this community know the quality of clothing this store carries. They know, too, that Our Annual January Clearance Sale offer the only time during the year to save in buying such fine clothing.

Men who like fine clothes—as fine as

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and who like to save money in buying such clothes should make their purchases now. The fact that you do not need another suit just now should not enter into the matter. A saving of \$10, 12, or 15 in the price of the suit now, means that much saved later when it's time to wear the suit. Largest clothing stock in this community to select from—choose now—at a discount of ONE-FOURTH (1/4) the regular price.

Men's 8-inch Shoes

\$5.95

Railroad men especially like this shoe—we carry it regularly in our stock the year 'round. We offer it now at a great saving. All sizes—priced very special at \$5.95.

Men's Outing Gowns \$1.29

Made of good quality outing flannel in striped patterns; full cut, and all sizes now. An exceptional value at \$1.29.

Black Gordon and Stetson HATS \$1.98

Hats in this lot that sold at \$2.00 regularly. They are odd lots and broken sizes, sizes 6 3/4, 6 7/8 and 7 only. Choice now for final clearance at \$1.95.



Sale of Men's DRESS SHIRTS

\$1.49 Some "Bates-Stretts" Shirts in This Lot

Every shirt in this sale represents a great saving. They are odd lots and broken sizes, some are from our famous Bates-Stretts line and are guaranteed fast colors.

Sizes 14 to 16 1/2 and a good selection of each size. Choose while they last at \$1.49.

A Great Clearance Sale of

Laces 5c yd.

In this sale are laces from one-quarter-inch to three-quarters of an inch in width and laces that sold for 10c and 20c yard. They are what we term remnants, but all are from a yard to 15 yards in length. Choose now at 5c yard.

Pure Bleach Absorbent HUCK TOWELS 12c and 15c

These are towels of the regular guest towel size—plain white and of good weight. They are towels that every housewife likes to have plenty of. These prices are extremely low. While they last at 12c and 15c.

27-inch OUTING 18c yd.

A good quality outing for any desired purpose in pure white, 27 inches wide. Exceptionally priced at 18c yard during our Clearance Sale.

"The Best Buying Days of the Year."

JANUARY 2 TO JANUARY 20

If You Have Foot Troubles

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WILL INTEREST YOU

We believe in giving service. While selling shoes is our business, we want to do more than that. We want every pair of shoes we sell to be COMFORTABLE and they can't be if the foot they are worn on is ailing. That is why you should visit our foot comfort department and learn how thousands of people suffering with corns, callouses, bunions, weak ankles, fallen arches and flat foot have benefited through the use of Dr. Scholl's Foot Comfort Appliances and Remedies.

Come in any time and we will explain to you the cause of shoe troubles and how to overcome them.



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