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THE OFFICE CAT

UNANIMOUS. In one of the towns of the Pacific coast a distinct earthquake shock was felt recently, and when the municipal building rocked perceptibly the city fathers, then in session, left without bothering about the usual formulas.

Some day, when we have plenty of time and money, we are going to find out just how many ice cream cones are required to fill a small boy.

Oysters would look a lot better if they were corsets.

Disagree Leads Enchantment. And then I told him that he was a dirty bum and a liar and that I ever saw him again I was going to knock the lights of him.

An experienced wife is one who can make over last winter's coat and make such a mess of it as to justify a new one.

THE LAGGARD'S EXCUSE. He worked by day. And toiled by night. He gave up play. And some delight.

He plodded on. With faith and pluck. And when he won. Men called it luck.

Amos Tash says perhaps those persons who are called the stars are those who are those whose eyesight is failing.

REPORT ON TREE FUND IS MADE

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PIONEER'S LIFE WAS WORTHY ONE

GRANDFATHER. Mar. 16.—A. E. Huff, prominent farmer of Union and Baker counties, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Albert Knight of Union at 3:15 Thursday morning.

Arthur Edwin Huff was born at the old Huff homestead near Big Grove, Pottawattamie county, Iowa, on the 25th day of March 1857, the seventh of ten children.

At an early age Mr. Huff manifested an eager desire for learning and in the country school of the district he rapidly advanced till he was prepared for school teaching.

On the 14th day of March, 1880, he was married to the sweetheart of his youth, Annie Belle James of Big Grove. On March 14, 1920, Mr. and Mrs. Huff celebrated their thirty-third wedding and at the time of his death they had traveled the path of life together just 42 years.

The Huff name has an honored place in the history of Pottawattamie county Iowa. In the early '50s when the name of the town of Big Grove was changed, A. E. Huff was one of the foremost men to help lay out the town of Oakland which afterwards became nationally known to the chautauqua world.

The memorials of his traits of character consist of three distinct kinds—education, progress and courage; he had a passionate desire for each of his children to receive an education and through great sacrifices he saw this attained and the proudest moments of his life were when he witnessed the presentation of a diploma to son or daughter, whichever it might be.

Mr. Huff leaves of his immediate family his wife, four daughters and two sons. Mrs. Chas. Spencer of La Grande; Mrs. Leo Winn of Prairie City, Ore.; Mrs. Harry McVay and Mrs. Bert Knight, both of Union, Ore.; Arthur L. Huff and Lyman Huff, both of La Grande. He has 12 grandchildren and he also leaves one brother and one sister, Herman Huff of Grand Junction, Colo., and Mrs. T. C. Alexander of Oakland, Ia.

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Better Fail Than Never Try

In conversation with one of the strong financial men of Eastern Oregon recently a remark that he made should be handed on. It was this: "I would rather a half dozen times than never to try to do anything."

There is much in this bit of wisdom. Try something, get busy, use your mind. Of course there will be failures, nature hits the purple only once in a thousand times, hence mere man is bound to make mistakes. In the past few years, with the business world all awry, mistakes have been more numerous because the spending period washed away all of the old guide posts.

Discouragement should not take hold of the people. Try again. That's the slogan—try again. Reorganize yourselves, pull together the thought apparatus, and try and figure out things on a sound basis and go it.

For, in the language of the successful Eastern Oregon man, "It is better to make a half dozen failures than to do nothing."

Law and Common Sense

There are too many laws on the statute books. There is no question about it; everyone agrees. There was a time when it was possible for human society, a very simple organization, to get along with a few general commandments and prohibitions. But as human activities have expanded, and organization has become more and more complex, laws have multiplied prodigiously.

Two of the outstanding sensations of the last few days will set the watchdogs of public safety on the trail with proposals for new laws. In Chicago a fumigator exterminates a whole family because he filled a store room with hydro-cyanide gas and neglected to seal a pipe that led directly into living quarters on the second floor.

In New York a young daredevil, hungry, perhaps, attempts to scale a building for \$100, and falls to his death while his bride looks on. They will try to end that sort of gladiatorial spectacle in New York, and perhaps elsewhere, by making it unlawful to stage such an exhibition without providing a life net or safety device, just as it is forbidden for window cleaners to ply their trade without life-belts.

Such laws will be argued as justified by common sense. Both tragedies will be laid to the absence of common sense. And by going through the statute books of the municipality, the state or the nation, one will find a multitude of laws that originally were merely an attempt to apply common sense to the relations of citizens with one another.

A Strange Ending

It was a strange philosophy of life, of love, of happiness that prompted a recently wedded French couple to end it all in death. They did not lack money, were in perfect health, loved each other madly, were happy—so ran the note they left—therefore they determined to cross the divide. Was it distrust of the future or some strange notion that by snapping life at its happiest they could pick up the broken threads of happiness in the beyond that led them to plan the tragic ending of their drama?

Evidently the actors in this French tragedy looked through a different end of the telescope from that generally used by humans. Usually when men and women are happiest they hold life dearest. Even when days are dreary and life is burdensome, humans' hope for happiness in the future urges those who love to struggle on.

It is averred that there is nothing to show that man is more than 500,000 years old. As a matter of courtesy how old is woman is not discussed in public.

A pedestrian may have a few rights, but he does have the privilege of taking a chance.

Too many overlook the fact that the bill of rights is payable as well as receivable.

Advertisement for West & Co. featuring a 10% discount on men's shoes, shirts, and hats for Friday and Saturday. Includes an illustration of a woman in a dress and a hat.

Advertisement for U.B. Thrifty, a man in a suit holding a bag of money, with text about getting rich through business.

Advertisement for 'Aid is Given to Railway' featuring a man in a suit and text about railway service.

Advertisement for 'Just Arrived' at Andrew's Variety Store, listing various goods like Zephyr Gingham, Gingham, and Mercerized Poplin.

Advertisement for National Bank, featuring the bank's name and the slogan 'Sound - Reliable - Progressive'.