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LORD SEES ALL.—For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in behalf of those whose heart is perfect toward him. — 2 Chronicles 16:9.

The Smaller Newspaper

We have felt for a long time that the metropolitan newspapers would be forced to reduce their size. In this busy age who wants to wade through column after column of detail in stories? No one. At present people are only headline readers of the large newspapers.

Now comes the New York Herald stating plainly that it will begin soon to issue a ten-minute newspaper. It means that it will use "pony" Associated Press news service and only the salient points will be covered in news stories.

Whenever it is possible to buy a metropolitan newspaper that carries only the "pony" news report today many people are buying it. The Evening Observer's Associated Press report covers all the large happenings and covers them in brief style, but the reader gets what he wants rather than read long accounts of big happenings, the gist of which can be reduced to one paragraph.

It is another case of where the people in the city are taking a lesson from the people residing in the country sections and they will be benefitted by it.

Did you ever contemplate the enormous waste of paper indulged in by Portland newspapers to send their large, massive editions into Eastern Oregon, where the advertising pages mean nothing to the people? The time will come when that will not be done. In fact, the New York Herald is the pioneer of a great movement and before long Portland newspapers will be issuing the ten-minute newspaper for their busy city readers and an out-of-town edition devoid of a lot of city stuff for the up-state readers.

It is merely the law of economy at work, and if you will take notice that law has been working and getting results for some time past.

Stay With 'em Walter; Stay With 'em!

Recently Oswald West, who was once governor of Oregon, took a shot at Governor Pierce accusing him of playing politics and of lack of sincerity because the governor is opposed to backing irrigation projects with state money when to all appearances those irrigation projects have been profitable only to the one who sold the bonds on them.

Then came a fusillade from other sources at the governor, charging him with being "Gloomy Gus", and a lot more things.

"Stay With 'em, Walter. Don't let 'em heckle you. You may be a Gloomy Gus, we rather think you are at times, but just the same the irrigation game in Oregon needs fixing very badly and you are the only lad that the people are depending upon to do it.

When Oswald West will step over his loyalty to a Democrat so far as he did in his criticism of Pierce, Mr. West must have abundant belief that some of the irrigation projects are not going to get by the present governor. And there are a lot of people in the state, wondering whether they should get by.

The eyes of the people are on you, Walter. We don't care how many speeches you make at banquets in which you tear-stain the table linen. The fact remains that the up-state country believes you want the state protected in irrigation matters, and with that confidence we feel you will stand by your guns, regardless of the ex-governor or any one else.

Tax Money Well Spent

We never pick up State Superintendent Churchill's report on the boys' and girls' club work in Oregon but what we think of the good that has been done by expending a little of the tax money for this worthy cause.

The report is just out for this year and it is a fine showing of the work of both the boys and the girls of Oregon. When one looks over the livestock that has been raised—the prize-winning live stock—by the youngsters, we are convinced that they are not only adding wealth to the state, but they are fostering a principle of production that is bound to ripen into bigger things as they grow older.

This department is abundantly worth while. It is what we call constructive education. It aids the boy and girl to learn what it means to earn a meal ticket. It fits them for the bread and butter proposition of life, which, after all, is the biggest problem we have. It is a problem that is not well handled by the graduate of fancy education, but it is handled by the boy who knows how to raise a hog or a calf.

Every legislator who is elected in the future should be pledged to the appropriation for the boys' and girls' club work, even if it must be maintained at the expense of what is termed "higher education."

Better Movies Here

Whatever may be one's personal opinion as to the quality of current motion picture shows, the truth seems apparent that on the whole there has been improvement both in pictures and public demand in recent year. The stunts Charlie Chaplin began doing in the movies ten years ago were not so good as the ones he does now—and they would not please today's audience.

Movie-goers are tired of much of the violent slap-stick comedy of an earlier day but they thoroughly enjoy comedies of a higher degree of art. Scenic and educational films are generally popular too, although public approval of them is no expressed with the noisy enthusiasm with which the rough-and-tumble comedy is greeted.

One proof of the growing interest in scenic and educational subjects is cited in the fact that manufacturers of projection machines report more of those machines are sold to non-theatrical exhibitors than to the theatres. Schools, churches and private organizations are showing this class of movie with great success.

THE PRESS AGENTS IN MOURNING

Minneapolis Tribune: The press representatives of the various theatricals and film stars must be hanging their heads in shame. Here they are, a group of men of supposed ingenuity and experience, who are paid good wages to keep the names of their employers before the public. And an obscure girl from Escanaba, Mich., comes along with a publicity scheme which makes them all look like amateurs.

The press agent of Theda Bara must be writhing in agony. The press agent of Mary Pickford must be wondering if life is worth living. The press agent of Pola Negri must feel like abandoning his typewriter and turning to truck-driving or piano-moving as his true occupation.

This ought to be the saddest day of the year for the press representatives of the stars. The atmosphere of the blackest days of the year must be cheerful beside the atmosphere which surrounds them now. We can well fancy that they are speaking to one another only in futile whispers. They are utterly discredited in the eyes of the world. Here was a scheme which lay within the reach of all, a scheme calling for the investment of only about 75 cents, a scheme guaranteed to keep a star on the first page of every metropolitan newspaper in the country for several weeks—and no one of them ever thought of it. The most spectacular hoax played on the public in months had to come, not from these gentlemen, who pride themselves on the resourcefulness of their wits, but from a rank outsider living in a Gopher Prairie.

Perhaps it is unkind to twist the agents about being beaten at their professional tricks by a novice. Such genuine grief as they feel ought to be respected. Perhaps we had better leave them alone with their sorrows, and after one sympathetic glance, lipstoc reverently away.

THE AVERSION OF WAR

E. S. Martin in Harper's Magazine: Governments do not know yet how strong the aversion of war is. That was one of the lessons of the great war. They do not know how deep it has gone or how long it will last. They know that any government in Western Europe at this time that attempted to send any considerable body of young citizens to be killed in fighting would probably lose its job overnight. Governments go on and talk and scheme and bluff as though their old weapon of force were still available, but they do not really know what condition it is in, and politicians who are astute and vary wary of putting it to the test. France adventures with soldiers to make Germany do certain things, some of which she ought to do, and the rest of us watch her thoughtfully and wonder how her action will strike the neighbors and what the final result of her demonstrations will be. For one thing that has come into the world as the immediate result of the war is an unqualified distaste for the use of force in politics, and a great doubt as to its value.

KINGS NOT BARRED

New York World: A president of the United States, however, high entitled to rank among tennis players, could hardly venture to figure at Forest Hills in a tournament open to contestants from all parts of the world. Official dignity would not permit it. It would be a form of political folly not to be repeated. If he would to commit such a sin against the institutions of democracy some one in Washington would rise to demand his impeachment. The limit of freedom permitted to him would be to play a few sets of tennis on the White House courts with persons of his own caliber, or a round of golf with old colleagues in the senate on nearby links.

But royalty in Europe, so much as is left of it, is under no such narrow restrictions. It can indulge its choice of sports, even in full view of the public, without endangering its prestige. Extended reigns or annuities may suppose being entered in the tournament at Nice at "Mr. G." but no one was in the least deceived by the very thin disguise King Gustaf of Sweden saw fit to assume. Certainly the people of Sweden have not risen in rebellion at the news of his appearances, or threatened to overthrow the dynasty because of the disgrace he has brought on the nation.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

A few of the latest witticisms Amos Tash has contributed are:
The scales seem to be the only place where one can use a bad penny and get a weigh with it.

Gilded investments are better than silver linings for any cloud.
Civilization seems to have passed successfully through the boltonized stage.

The meanest man in the world is the one who will do you dirt and then apologize for it before you have a chance to tell him what you think of him.

DUMB!

A La Grande dumb bell thinks that the Rock of Ages was the San Francisco earthquake.

The editor of a nearby newspaper (name of newspaper withheld as we like the editor) recently reported that he had received a news item from one of his correspondents. The item read to the effect that a bride in the neighborhood had excited considerable comment among neighbors by kneading bread with her gloves on.

The editor, seizing upon the opportunity, said, "I need bread with my shoes on, I also need it with my clothes on, but if some of the delinquent subscribers don't pay up pretty soon, I will need bread without a darn thing on!"

THE MAIDEN'S PRAYER

"Dear Lord, I ask nothing for myself. Only give mother a son-in-law."

This want-ad was clipped from a southern paper: "Going out of business, will sell baby buggy and baby bed. Phone 796."

"The boys hev put on that dying out' expression and the flappers are addin' a more deceptive googoo look into their eyes. The trees are budding out and the dogwoods will soon be in bloom and by heck, we are almost prepared to say that Spring hev com." opinion C. Kolony.

NEVER SAY BALD

Day, by day,
In every way,
I tried to make my hair grow;
I soaked each pore
With stope katore
But still I was a scarecrow.

Then night by night,
When mind was right,
I visioned hair, doubt nor question,
A-growing there,
In answer to suggestions.

Now hour by hour,
With all my power,
I seiff at dope and Doc Caine
Nearby wavy bean
I stand serene,
I bought a wig the other day.

DEATH, WHERE IS THY STING?
Julius shouldn't cavendrop—but she does occasionally. Recently while sipping a soda in one of La Grande's emporiums of spirit, she heard the following conversation in the booth nearest her: "I could die for you," came the bass tones of some member of the masculine sex. "All right—go jump in the lake," came the sweet reply.

Bowlegged men are hoping that pea-top trousers of the baggy type will again appear on the scene at an early date.

Lives there a newly-wed with soul so dead who never to himself has said, "My God! What bread!"

You won't get stuck or stung either if you invest your money wisely.

We can offer you as a safe and sure way of making your money earn its way, one or more of our—

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

They are backed by this strong bank and are a constant source of revenue, as they draw four per cent. interest.

Why not put your money to work and let it stick to the job?

All your money needs is a chance to make good.—and a C. of D. offers this opportunity.



"The man that is buried in thought has no funeral expenses"

La Grande NATIONAL BANK
SOUND-RELIABLE-PROGRESSIVE.

M. West & Co.



Ask the Wife--- She Knows!

It takes friend wife to fully understand the finer points in clothes-making. She'll recognize the fine tailoring, all-wool fabrics and ease of fit in our new spring models.

Stand up before the mirror in one of these "extra service" suits and watch her nod approvingly.

\$22.50
to
\$55.00

See Our New Line of Boys Clothing---

Gee whiz, Boys! I am glad mother bought this new suit at West's!

It's snappy and don't show the dirt when I play ball, and, believe me, I sure rough it. She says they have them ranging in price from

\$6.50
to
\$12.00



DO YOU KNOW HIM?

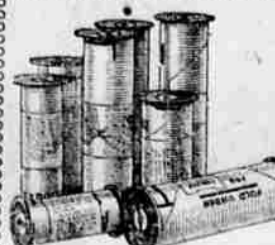
Why is it that a man with plenty of money will spend 50 cents each for his cigars without complaint and jump at a chance to pick up a little Scotch at \$120 per case and then go into a spasm over the extravagance of his wife because she has paid 20 cents a cake to provide the family and guest with really good toilet soap?

A tramp who heard that most bootleggers were lousy with money said they had nothing on him—he was lousy without money.

HAY

Good First and Second Cutting Alfalfa Hay at \$18.00 a ton, in the stack. One mile from town.

Smith & Frees
Main 571



FILMS
A fresh supply always on hand for all KODAKS and cameras. Bring your exposed films here to be developed and printed.
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Power

The three most vital units in the economical and satisfactory operation of motors are the Piston Rings, Pistons and Piston Pins, all of which we carry in stock, and with our cylinder grinding equipment we are able to give you a very complete piston assembling service.

Leighton's Welding & Machine Works

La Grande - Pendleton Stage

George Baars, Prop.
TWO TRIPS DAILY

Watch for Starting Date and Schedule

Be Prepared for Summer---

WE HAVE THE GOODS---

- Silk Striped Voile \$1.39
- Imported Swiss in Colors 69c
- Mercerized Poplin, per yard 60c
- Windsor Crepe, per yard 39c
- Flowered Crepe Bloomers 98c
- Light and Dark Percales 23c and 25c
- Devonshire Gingham, 34c; 3 yards for \$1.00
- Senfew Zephyr Gingham, 34c; 3 yards for \$1.00

BULK and PACKAGE SEEDS

Andrew's Variety Store