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PRAISE THE GOOD GOD.—Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving. For the Lord is good.—Psalms 133: 1, 4, 5.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

If there is anything they didn't do in the House of David we ought to find that out also.

Amos Tash says it's better to start small and grow big than to start with a bang and then flop.

One reason they're so anxious to dig up ole King Tut is because some think he had a cellar!

The poor don't really envy the rich man who goes decently about his labors without trying to show off.

Matrimony isn't like cooking. Young husbands are tender, but they soon get over it if kept in hot water.

TODAY

Think not on yesterday, nor trouble borrow On what may be in store for you tomorrow. But let today be your incessant care. The past is past. Tomorrow's in the air. Who gives Today the best That in him lies, Will find the road that Leads to clearer skies.

Extra! Girls are not wearing a stitch this year. "Now don't get excited, it only means that clothes will be draped and tied this year instead of stitched."

"I know a man who is getting ready to buy a car," whispers a La Grande man. "He is picking up all the stray nails he sees on the road."

Eve knew better than to try tempting Adam with anything she had cooked.

Henry Ford says the distribution of the world's wealth is all wrong. Yes, indeed, some of the other automobile manufacturers get part of it.

MASCULINE EFFICIENCY

When an honest hen is laying the foundation for a family, and doing all the hard work, some boob rooster is always ready to do the crowing.

Some married women must wonder why any vamps will try to steal their husbands.

A run on the bank often necessitates a new pair of silk hose.

An Iowa legislator wants to stop cooks from smoking but Cy Kolony thinks stopping them from burning would be better.

Our idea of a natural-born sucker is a man who feels complimented when asked by a friend to endorse a note.

Mary had a rooster once. That crowed at all the chickens. She fed the thing canary seed. Now it warbles like the dickens.

An advertiser offers saxophone lessons by mail. Some callous souls say with they could be practiced the same way.

Never put off until tomorrow what should have been done yesterday.

Editorials From Over the Nation

SUCCESS AND RESPONSIBILITY
Minneapolis Journal. An insurance company recently carried out a survey to determine some of the factors that contribute to success, as well as to health and happiness. The policies on file were studied, and investigation was made of hundreds of men without their knowledge.

The findings indicate that out of 100 men with no delinquencies upon them, forty-nine are successful. Of 100 men, having two or more delinquencies, thirty-three are successful. It was found that out of 100 who are fifty-one are failures and forty-nine are successful. Out of 100 married men fifty-nine, on the average, succeed.

The result also indicates that men who succeed generally begin to show their motto in the thirties. There are exceptions, of course, but the span between thirty and forty is the time when the average man finds himself and lays the foundation for his permanent work.

A man who marries gives a hostage to fortune, and this responsibility anchors him much more strongly than does the lure of future gain. The acquisitive instinct is by no means the only factor that holds a man to his task. Habit, social imitation and social standing also do this. Responsibility plays a large part in success because it generally means a firm hold on a task, and this is the first step in the process of extracting ability, skill and fitness out of dull and stubborn drudgery. Whoever tills his niche and accomplishes his work, who gives the best of himself and drives out the best from others, succeeds whether or not he piles up a fortune.

THE SPARK DIVINE.

Milwaukee Journal. Eight men, one after the other, climbed upon an operating table, set their teeth, and without even a local anesthetic permitted doctors to remove strips of flesh from their bodies. These were the chosen few selected from 200 volunteers who offered to endure this

torture that Johnny O'Boyle, 2 years old, might not have to go through life without legs. They were not relatives of Johnny O'Boyle, these men. They had not heard of him, until he upset a kerosene lamp and the hospital told of his plight. They may never see him again. Why did they not shrug their shoulders, remark that Johnny was no kin of theirs, and go about their business? Yes, why? If we could answer that question we could solve the riddle of life. Scientists analyze this "us" that we see in the mirror. They reduce to fractions the portions of water, of salt, of carbon, of this and that in the house in which we dwell. But they cannot catch in their test tubes the something that makes a human being lay down his life if need be for one of his kind—that led eight men to twist their lips into the semblance of a smile with their nerves screaming in protest as the knife peeled back the flesh. There are spirits in these earthly vessels.

GIVING THE CHILD A CHANCE
Philadelphia Bulletin. Out of 12,500,000 children in the United States, between the ages of 10 and 15, only 350,000 are at work in manufacturing, clerical and trade occupations. Miss Julia Lashroy, former head of the Federal child labor bureau, cites the figures of the 1920 census, which also show that out of a total of 1,000,000 working children, two-

thirds are on farms and 54,000 in personal and domestic service. Many causes have tended to bring about this notable reduction in child labor. Compulsory school laws have played a part. Even more so, as a factor in working and reduction, possibly, is the increased and increasing desire of parents to keep their children in school. Economic betterment in the homes has helped. The influence of workmen's compensation systems and liability insurance cannot be overlooked as a factor. The spread of the school system and the popularizing of education, among the youth as well as the adult population, has aided. Through these, and other agencies, the school term has been lengthened for the majority.

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Happiness

Who is the happiest person in La Grande?

There have been beauty, popularity, Venus, movie, ear and eye contests, so why not a happiness contest? Succumbing to the long-distance fad, why not a happiness marathon with the dance, piano and other marathonic successors to the all-Greek sport?

Inspired by such proverbs as "the pursuit of happiness is the first law of nature," and "happiness is the ultimate aim of life," a reporter of the Evening Observer set forth to seek out La Grande's happiest individual or class.

At the start of his mission of merriment he looked for joy at its best among the youth of the city's domain. Crossed by rains on the day of the championship game with the other team, by lost pennies, razor straps, school books, baths and music lessons Youth sent him on to Old Age.

Old Age he found in a rage over bobbed hair, flappers, rheumatism, the weather and chickens on the front lawn and the seeker after the blue bird of happiness turned away, whither he knew not.

Chancing in a bachelor club he learned that the happiest of men are those married and managed, but he turned away in dismay when he overheard a benedict in the apartment above envy the emancipated ones below.

Wives told him widows were the most blessed of all mortals, but widows lamented their weeds.

Psychologists cautioned him that the song-filled life of some carefree races and classes was not happiness, long sought, but a noisy habit of shiftless people.

On the guidance of each the reported hastened from park bench warmer to the rich idler, to well-to-do business man and following the old nursery rhyme, he interviewed in vain, "the rich man, poor man, beggar-man, thief, doctor, lawyer, merchant, chief."

Emulating Sir Launfal and his Holy Grail, the reporter returned home worn out and frail, and as he passed the door of the "columnist's" office he heard, "the happiest man in La Grande is the other fellow."

History To Order

The classic definition of history as "a fable agreed upon" seems likely to receive fresh confirmation from the action of one branch of the New York legislature in passing a bill banning from the public schools text books that in anyway criticize unfavorably the patriots of the American revolution or refer to their human failings.

For many years most school histories extolled the heroes of the country's national struggle for independence as virtual demigods and reviled their opponents as villains of the deepest dye. The impression left by these accounts was that the American colonies were subjected to oppressions and even atrocities comparable to those endured by the people of Belgium at the hands of German invaders. Then in an effort to correct these misconceptions a new series of history books were written, which, it is said, went to the opposite extreme, setting forth that there really was not much ground for the American revolt against Great Britain and that considerable blame attached to the colonists whose hot-headedness precipitated the conflict.

The truth of the historic struggle, not easy to set forth without bias, lies between these extremes. Legislative action for its ascertainment is not likely to be helpful. Sufficient time has now elapsed since the Revolutionary war and that of 1812 to enable us to examine their events somewhat more dispassionately than was possible, perhaps, a generation ago. But to limit competent writers by law does not seem the best way to insure those impartial histories that are so much to be desired.

The Rose

Roses will bloom again soon, and the growers thereof will find it no hardship to rise early and labor late over their beloved bushes, nor any expense too great to bring these blooms to perfection.

Ask the rose-grower why this is so, and he will reply something like this. "Other flowers seem to have limits beyond which their culture cannot be pushed. But the rose is the flower of infinite possibilities. No matter how perfect one bloom may seem, we can safely say that a still more perfect bloom may be achieved. There seems to be no limit to the culture of this wonderful flower."

The rose lover who realizes the truth of this general statement has stumbled upon the Infinite among flowers. The Master Cultivist is pressing toward the same revelation of beauty and harmony in the life of man. The rose is a symbol of life.

Walt Whitman used to say that he found letters from God dropped everywhere along the street, and if some were passed by ignorantly or unconsciously, others would promptly come.

The rose, in its message of infinite perfection, beauty and growth, is such a letter.

New York judge holds that beating one's wife every three years is not cruelty. Only a habit, eh, judge?

The thing that gets many persons into difficulty is that they count only what they are asked to pay down.

Of all the days set apart for national observation next Sunday is one of the greatest. It is Mother's Day.

Latest song hit: "I shot him because I loved him." Recommended to wives who cannot bear to see their husbands err.

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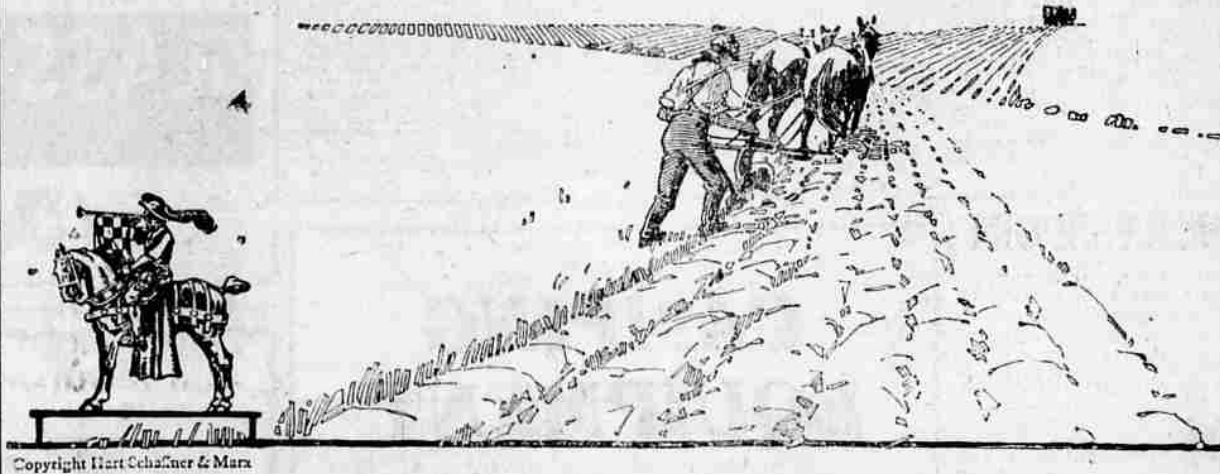
From time immortal man's opinion is based on observation. The farmer bases his estimate of the harvest by the "looks" of a growing crop; the business man passes a final judgment very readily when he sees the subject in question. By observation you will notice that men who are doing things wear clothing that looks the part—everything about them must be a top notcher.

Therefore, by observation, we learn two fundamentals of success. First—we must be in earnest, and; Second—we must look the part.

To the young men who have just finished school and are about to make their place in the world with the top notchers; that you may look your best and feel your best, just put on a good suit of clothes—then tackle your job in earnest.

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YEAR WITHOUT MISS

(By Associated Press)
SALT LAKE CITY, May 15.—John L. Eaton, who pilots a United States aerial mail plane between Elko and Reno, Nev., has not missed a scheduled trip for more than a year, according to announcement at western division headquarters here, which is believed to have set a record.

GIVES RIDERS MEDALS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—Wells Fargo Nevada National Bank of San Francisco, the direct descendant of

the famous old express and banking company, for which the pony express carried dispatches in the '60's, will present a gold medal to each of the 60 participants in the coming revival of the pony express.

SUGARLESS DAY IS URGED.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Mayor Hylan issued a proclamation today urging the public to observe Monday of each week as "sugarless Monday" until the price of sugar has been reduced.

U.B. Thrifty says—



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