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LIVE RIGHT TO-DAY: Do not put off till to-morrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.—Proverbs 27:1.

Editorials From Over the Nation

DEVELOPING PRISON INDUSTRIES

Christian Science Monitor: There has been, in nearly all the commonwealths of the United States, within recent years a commendable departure from the former careless practices followed in the employment of convict labor. Originally this employment was deontological, a mere makeshift adopted in an effort to relieve prisoners from the vicious influences of confined idleness. But the work provided was often unprofitable, offering no possible rewards for those employed, either in the form of nominal pay or in training in any trade which would equip the prisoner for useful service and independence after his release. With the realization of the futility, or at least of the impracticability, of the makeshift, there was a quite general adoption of the contract-labor system, under which the prison population was "leased" to manufacturers, or employed on farms or railroads, or in quarries.

But it soon became apparent that the contract system permitted the practice of abuses to the prisoners themselves, and that it provided a means of unfair competition by which the manufacturer employing prison labor was given all advantage over those who were compelled to pay ordinary wage scales. And so the need of organizing distinctive prison industries, independent of and not directly competing with private industries, was recognized. It quite naturally appeared that the outlet for prison-made products should be found in other state institutions, these offering a channel where competition would not be so direct as in general trade, though indirect competition could not be entirely eliminated.

But now it is pointed out that there is need of greater standardization of the output of prison workshops. It is shown, circumstantially, that this standardization would greatly increase the demand, even by the individual states, for these products, and it would at the same time raise efficiency standards among the prisoners employed. Directly it would tend to assure the future employment of the prisoner in a standardized industry, thus affording him an opportunity to separate himself completely from those influences which too often cause his second downfall and his return to prison.

It is claimed, also, that the standardization method, if adopted and followed, would increase the earning power of the employed convicts. The economic necessity of making the prisoner self-supporting and of making it possible for him, even while in prison, to contribute to the support of those naturally dependent upon his earnings, is coming to be more and more clearly realized. The convict should not be a charge upon the public, and it is equally true that his dependents should not be deprived of his earnings. The modern prison should not be a place where a premium is put upon idleness.

Leviathan Sails.
BOSTON, June 20.—The great liner Leviathan sailed Tuesday afternoon on her trip to southern waters with several hundred guests of the shipping board. Thick weather deprived persons on the mainland who had trained their glasses on her anchorage in the lower harbor of the opportunity of seeing her departure, but shipping board officials gave word that she had started at the appointed time. Imagination proceeded to prevent the trip failed to materialize, no notwithstanding reports that they might be brought.

Five Chivalrymen Are Shot.
PUNAHONUA, Ark., June 20.—Four priests and one lay church official were wounded when unidentified persons fired into the home of the Rev. Father Herringer of the English Catholic church, five miles north of here, Monday night, according to information received here. Tuesday the house was fairly riddled with shot.

The injured men are: Father Strummer of Jonesboro, shot in neck and shoulder; Father Herringer, Paragon, shot in neck; Father Proitzheim, Punahonua, shot in leg; Joe Bruno, lay church official, shot in back.

Philanthropy is the business of giving back to the people you took it from.

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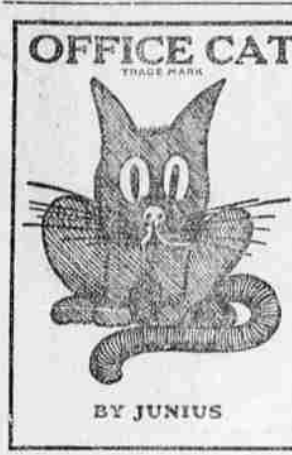
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THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



BAKING AND SCRAPING.

He raked and scraped, Until he had saved The money for the seeds. He raked and scraped A plot of ground For all the different breeds. He planted them, Then raked and scraped To keep away the weeds. His neighbor's hens Now raked and scrape And leave most pleasant beds.

Another good way to save is to make more money than you can conveniently spend.

Then, too, home is the place where Sunday's rest doesn't disappear until Wednesday, when it is served in the form of lunch.

When company comes in at the door, resolution and practices of economy go out the front window.

"If you haven't anything else to worry about," suggests a local man, "get you a fountain pen that won't fountain at the right time."

"The honor an office man can't depend almost wholly upon the size of the man who have hold it."

News Item—Miss Lyle Rinkling is suing Mr. Paris Garter for non-support.

Let others gaze on the finished monument before us as we rise.

The first stock company ever founded? Noah's ark.

If a baker can loaf three times a day, how much can a shirt waist?

It has often been said that from coughin' You are certain to land in your coffin. But I've also heard tell You've a chance to get well. If you don't get to coughin' too often.

One trouble noted is that too many college professors and too few human beings are studying political economy.

So live that when you come to die, your death notice will not appear in the newspaper among the list of town improvements.

Correct this sentence: "I'd like awfully well to have a car," said the wife, "but I think we should finish paying for the house first."

Why They Missed Fame.
Lots of men would leave their footprints. Time's eternal sands to grace. Had they gotten mother's slipper At the proper time and place.

We are firmly and immalterably democratic, but we hope the king business lasts long enough to let the Prince of Wales try his hand at it.

Among the things called by Gabriel's horn will be many a bluff.

It took Eli Whitney eight years to perfect the cotton gin and even then it was never a good drink.

According to the reformers, the rising generation is sinking.

"I've dropped on a good thing," said the tree as it fell on the preacher.

Levinsky and his wife were on the airplane field and both were desirous of taking a ride in the clouds. Finally Levinsky approached an aviator and asked him how much he charged. \$50 was the reply. "Dot's too much money," Levinsky replied. "Well, I'll take you and your wife up and every time you yell it'll cost you ten bucks."

"Well, all right," replied Levinsky. And so they got in. Loops, thrills, nosedives, and every other trick on the aeronautical curriculum was the order of the day but not a yell. And after landing, the aviator said, "You win, but how come you didn't yell?" "Well," said Levinsky, "I come peddly near once—when my wife red out."

"Earning" \$500,000 a Year

The discussion now raging in England as to whether a man can "earn" \$500,000 a year comes too late to afford a new text for legislators at Washington, who were so busy delving into the salaries of certain corporation officials, but is interesting nevertheless, for the variety of view it has evoked. As might be expected, some men have accumulated as much as a half million in a year say it was "earned," while none of those expressing a negative opinion have ever been blessed with wealth.

The debate was started by a soap manufacturer, who told how at the age of 33 he took over a business that had been losing money. From the time he assumed control the losses ceased and the profits began. In the second year he found he had cleared \$250,000. At first thought he could not really have earned that sum, but on considering the matter he came to the conclusion that he had earned it as truly as any man in his employ had earned his wages. The heavy losses had been converted into big profits through careful planning and organization. He was the man who had done this. It was true that the labor of the employes was essential, but their labor alone had not hitherto produced such results.

Socialists used to hold the theory that there was only one kind of productive work; labor with the hands. They are not so sure of that any more. Their latest schemes for bringing about the millennium do accord some place to the brain that plans as well as the muscles that perform the task. But they still contend that "gaining wealth through exploiting labor is not earning it." However, in the case mentioned it is difficult to see where the "exploiting" came in, since the employes through the superior planning and executive ability of the employer, were given higher wages than before and yet there were profits at the end of the year instead of losses.

Granting that not everyone with a half million a year "earns" it, in the case under consideration the distinction seems to belong to the captain of industry who turned a losing concern, that couldn't much longer have employed anybody, into a prosperous enterprise affording profitable work for many.

Beside The Point

The weather bureau has issued a warning to the public against placing confidence in rainmaking schemes. The statement is directed against the experiments conducted at Dayton recently in which it was stated that clouds were dissipated by sprinkling them with electrically charged sand. The news given out by the experimenters stressed the fact that the device ordered offered a means of clearing away fogs and clouds, if it should prove to be what the development thus far indicated for it. It was stated that if the clouds were charged with moisture the latter would be precipitated as a mist. No claim was made that sprinkling electrically charged sand would cause clouds to gather or accumulate moisture. Rather, the opposite is true.

The declaration of the weather bureau that "all rainmaking schemes are futile" would seem to be gratuitous as far as the Dayton experiments are concerned. Then why should reflection be thrown on the utility of what seems to have been accomplished in an entirely different line of effort when it has only a collateral bearing on rainmaking, if it has that? The weather bureau seems to attack a proposition which had not been set up at Dayton. Further experiments are to be conducted. Localities subject to fogs are particularly interested in the success of the experiments. It is in getting rid of clouds which are present rather than in creating clouds where none exists that hope of success lies.

Reforming the Circus

The "dictator" or "czar" of the circus world announces that he is going to "clean up" the business. This man who has been entrusted with supreme authority as far as it applies to the tent show business will exercise jurisdiction over the well known aggregations and 178 carnival companies in addition. All objectionable shows, posters, and too-daring feats will be abolished. Crooks who have been permitted to travel with the shows to fleece the unwary will be banished.

All this is commendable but the question will suggest itself, could not the same end have been accomplished by each proprietor acting independently? Mr. Johnson the "czar," says reform is long overdue. At the same time it is suspected he will have some difficulty in accomplishing all that he hopes. And will the circus be the old-time circus if the bumpkin is denied the opportunity to be swindled more or less severely?

Irish whisky may be a thing of the past, but they don't need whisky in Ireland to start something.

Sometimes it is a compliment to ask a man to concentrate his mind on something.

As a harbinger of spring, as well as in another role, the dandelion plays an acceptable part.

Smite some men high-and-thigh these days and you will probably cut your hand on glass.

The innocent man is not the one who talks about being persecuted when he is prosecuted.

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