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GIVING GETS: There is that which is not worth, and yet is worth, and there is that which is worth more than most, but is least to the poorest—Proverbs 11:24.

Editorials From Over the Nation

WORDS, WORDS, WORDS!

Stuart Chase in the Nation: Every year there are printed in these states 1,800,000,000,000 words. This unthinkable total measure—conservatively I believe—the annual output of our printing presses in the form of newspapers, periodicals, books, pamphlets, reports, catalogues, circulars, handbills, leaflets, tracts. If we estimate the average newspaper at 100,000 words, and allow a 10 per cent. overlap for Sunday editions, it follows that the daily newspaper circulation of 40,000,000 in the United States carries to the average reader 1,800,000,000,000 words in a year's time. The department of commerce tells us that 2,000,000 short tons of newspaper are used each year. This is the equivalent of 4,000,000,000 pounds. Discounting the ink, and allowing a 20 per cent margin waste, 4,000,000,000 pounds of newsprint, at 400,000 words to the pound, will produce 1,600,000,000,000 words, precisely the round figures we arrived at on the circulation basis. I think we can conclude therefore that somewhere around 1,500,000,000,000 words appear on newsprint annually. The department of commerce further tells us that about 1,000,000 tons of book paper—which is also made of magazines, reports, pamphlets, and other printed matter—is consumed each year. A similar calculation based on an average selection of the number of words per pound in books and magazines (around 100,000) reveals the fact that another 200,000,000,000,000 words appear in the latter form—or a ratio of one to eight as compared with newsprint words. The grand total, not counting signboards and automobile license plates, thus comes to somewhere between 1.8 and 2,000,000,000,000,000 words per year.

The average annual quota of words per capita of those able to read is 18,000,000, or 60,000 words per day. Thus if the population of these states is to absorb its quota of printed words, every man, woman and child over 7 must read steadily about eight hours every day—not counting Macaulays who can read a single page at a glance.

THE RED PHOENIX

Philadelphia Public Ledger: The term "radical" has become a stone to throw at a dog. And like most stones thus thrown, it commonly misses its mark. Radicals we have in plenty, some of them dangerous, but to charge as a recent speaker here did, the teaching institutions from Harvard university down to the most elementary of the public schools are being used in one grand and glittering attempt to make the country's youth young, Bolsheviks, to inflict the "soviet mind" upon the nation, is preposterous absurdity. During the war, with a public consciousness driven by propaganda which was occasionally true, often half true and a fair part of the time sheer, unblushing lies, the shouts of "radical!" were no more to be marvelled at than the delirious outbursts of a fever patient. But the war is over, and we are trying to catch up with our debts and our common sense. It is time to drop such nonsense.

Colleges have a right to discuss in the classroom the various economic systems of the day, Socialism and Communism among others. A young, virile student who was sheltered from all knowledge of sin, or a young medical student who was kept in the dark about loathsome diseases, or a young law student who was sheltered from all discussion of such crimes as murder, would be poorly equipped for his profession. To universal Socialism is not to be a Socialist. Nor is a man who is progressive, who is forward-minded, who hates shame and believes in justice, by those facts a Socialist. By all means let us guard against radicalism, but don't let us get shrieking hysterics over it.

EXIT FIDO

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Dobbin is a familiar name for our disappearing friend, the horse, has been outlawed by time and custom, one is told. Fido, it seems, is following Dobbin. One does not call his dog Fido any more. He is more likely to dub it jazz. Some one took the trouble the other day to investigate the dog book of an Eastern town clerk—the book wherein are recorded the names and descriptions of the animals on which dog-taxpayers pay dog taxes. An interesting volume it proved to be, comprising sort of psychological review of the town's dog being population. Morley's "Jazzing" might preach a sermon on it. As might be supposed Ludite inhabits many a kennel: such is political fame. There are plenty of Teddies and Truxys and Princesses. One article is supposed to respond dog fashion when one says: "But, Clod, but the ultra-modern in canine nomenclature is reached in jazz, an otherwise unoffending collie. Poor Fido! None left to pay him homage. Of the hundreds of dogs licensed in this Eastern city not one has the time-honored name of his kind! Exit Dobbin; exit also Fido.

Mining Future Tinged Bright

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, June 22. (AP)—A new note of optimism has been struck in mining circles as to the prospects of the future of the metal mining conditions in the United States, according to George W. Lamberson, widely known Utah mining man. "I am convinced," he said "that the current year will be one of noteworthy advancement in the development of mineral wealth in the country, particularly the west. The one disquieting factor is the uncertainty of the immediate future of silver. Mining men are certain that the period to bring about a substantial recovery in this metal will not be prolonged."

Correct the sentence: "I haven't anything extra fixed," said the wife once the phone, "but I'll be glad to have you bring your two friends."

It each was paid for all autos, it would be safe to cross the street.



A dumbbell is he who thinks that a cotton gin is a new kind of drink.

No Adeline, a Russian barber shop is not where you get a quick shave.

It has been suggested that we have a reckless driving week but it would be hard to distinguish it from others.

COMPARISONS

A bullet is a deadly thing. Rushing forward, with a zing! And should it penetrate the hide, 'T would make an awful weight inside. But I don't think that it compares With biscuits that my wife prepares.

It isn't what others may think about you; that bring the worry wrinkles; it's what you know of yourself.

An optometrist is one who thinks matters might have been worse if we hadn't begun to elect senators by popular vote.

A great deal of alleged golden hair is plaited.

"A gentleman" defines Amos Tash, is a man who can make you hate him and treat you so nice you are ashamed to cuss him."

Playing Safe. A Portland man attributes his escaping an aviation accident to his presence of mind. He has consistently refused to go up.

No man is a hero to his office boy.

Home is just a woman's sympathy surrounded by four walls.

They're giving radio sets away with installment watches now, and a La Grande merchant confidently expects it to be only a matter of a few months until he'll be finding a complete set in each new package of oatmeal.

Some birds are not satisfied with just telling a lie, they want to prove it as well.

It is all right to try to be your brother's keeper, but don't try to be his conscience.

Try 'Em With Music. (Courtroom Scene)

The Plaintiff: "He music me what I am today."

The beautiful star witness "People call him 'Levin' Sam, he's the Sheriff of Alabama."

The Defendant: "I picked a lemon in the garden of Eve."

The prosecuting attorney addresses the jury: "He's a devil in his own home town."

The counsel for defense addresses the jury: "For he's a jolly good fellow."

The jury deliberates: "We won't go home until morning."

The judge passes sentence: "She was happy till she met you and the fault was all your own."

Behind the bars: "Alimony Blues."

If you keep as busy as a bee you will never get stung.

A CASUALTY HERE

There was a young maiden named Flo.

Whom a fellow took out to a show He thought she was fast.

Now his flag's at half-mast. For sitting behind was—her beau.

A kiss on the cheek is like riding on the fender of an automobile.

The automobile is a necessity and a luxury combined, and a nuisance when you are looking for a place to park.

LISBON HOMES INVADIED

(By Associated Press)

LISBON, June 22.—Ninety bomb explosions which have been terrorizing the residents of this city for more than two months, are still as

much of a mystery as ever, although the police have resorted to many drastic expedients in their efforts to find the culprits.

In the small hours of the morning recently, the entire police force, flanked by the Republican Guards, was divided into squads and ordered to search all Lisbon dwellings for explosives. Nothing was immune to the humblest peasant homes to the residence of the Duke of Palmella. One bomb and a rifle, found at the Communist's Union, was the reward of the searchers.

amount will go to the railroads for freight and that suit would be brought against the railroads demanding a reduction of thirty-three and one-third per cent in the present freight rates.

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President Harding's Speech

There has been a big change in our president in the last few months. Instead of letting things run as smoothly as possible—the course he adopted after his election—he has decided to take the bit in his teeth and offer advice and leadership.

His St. Louis speech was a firm utterance of his convictions. The president is wedded to the World Court idea as his main issue and he is thoroughly sincere in it.

His statements relative to economic administration were references to records which prove that he is correct. The Harding administration has been a big step toward economy in national affairs. It has cut out lots of unnecessary governmental functions and has established a budget system which in itself is a wide-sweeping reform bringing most excellent results. The budget system has long been talked, but President Harding demanded it and got it.

As a whole the president's speech is an excellent document. It is a plain, open statement of one citizen to another. He does not try to dodge any responsibility that rightfully belongs to the president's office, but he does explain with marked clearness many things which heretofore had not been plain to the people.

Join in And Make it Big

Put on the old white hat, the antiquated plug hat or the checkered vest and the big boots. Garb yourself in a costume denoting early-day attire and let's have a good time from now until the President arrives.

The committee is arranging the wardrobe for the president and his wife so that they will be in accord with the costumes worn during the Old Oregon Trail celebration.

With one stroke do away with all conventionalities, put away present day society and return to the days when a man was a man by the soundness of his word, the way he lived and the example he set; when a woman was a woman because she held to high ideals, was willing to share the hardships of life and because she was a mother of men.

Put away the chiffon and doo-dads and get back to earth. A week of this way of living will be a respite from present day strain and will bring to mind once again the realities that confronted the men and women who fought the fight and endured the hardships on the Old Oregon Trail that we who live today might enjoy the beautiful blessings that we have.

Closing The Y M C A

It had to be done. There was no other way out of the financial difficulties. La Grande's Y. M. C. A. is too expensive to operate for the amount of support the public gives it, hence the board of directors, after bucking the current for several years facing deficits at every meeting, have voted to close the building on July 1st.

How long it will remain or what will become of the Y. M. C. A. and its activities depends entirely upon the general public. Should sufficient interest and support be given for a period of time, it will be re-opened. There is a mortgage to pay on the building, and there is a monthly expense that surprises most people, but it cannot be reduced and have the institution function to any advantage.

Lovers of Y activities will hear with regret decision of the board, but the board's members acted with wisdom, for it is financially impossible to keep the Y open unless there is a heavier support from the rank and file of the people and from those who are benefited.

La Grande has a building and equipment. It can only be operated by expending certain amounts each month. The sum of money obtainable is not sufficient to meet the expenses, and after a few months of operation following a general cleanup of all obligations the board finds an indebtedness from running expenses of about \$2,500. This will have to be met somehow, but it would be sheer folly to continue the Y and go deeper into debt. On July 1st the building will be closed.

For Better Weather

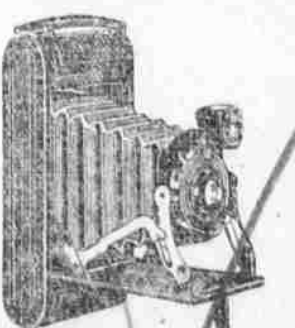
It is up to La Grande people to urge the weatherman to give us better weather for Chautauqua. With this kind of weather next week Chautauqua will perish perhaps forever.

A good program has been secured for this year. Excellent management marks the work of the association, and with good weather we believe a support would follow that would put Chautauqua on a sound, permanent basis.

For every June bride there is a bridegroom, though in the story of the wedding he usually appears merely as "among those present."

The governor of Maine defends his action in lowering the flag on account of a dog. Of course. It was his dog.

An illumined Italian Bible published in 1465 has been sold for \$221,400, but that does not prove that the buyer will read it.



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RED CROSS DRUG STORE

Grape Crop is Large
1923. CANT. June 22. (AP)—L. Nagle, general manager of the California Fruit Exchange, states that according to present indications, 12,000 cars of grapes will be shipped out of the Lodi district this season and will have a gross value of \$20,000,000.

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