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THE DAILY CLEANSING: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. (Ephesians 4:31).

"Do It Now"

Much of the punch has gone out of the ubiquitous desk motto, "Do It Now." The great familiarity has bred contempt. Yet the eternal truth is in the phrase. Decision is one of the great and constant admonitions of every life.

There is no vocation of occupation that does not present innumerable difficulties. The man who allows himself to falter every time he comes to a hard place will not succeed. He has no concentration, no focus, because he lacks decision. His energies are scattered, his powers dissipated. He does not hold to one thing long enough to work it for all it is worth. There is no enthusiasm in him, for as long as one rosy prospect begins to exhibit thorns, he grows dissatisfied and longs for another field for his labors.

Judgment and common sense mean little to this man. He is governed by his impressions, and cursed by vacillation. His associates grow disgusted with him, for they never know where to find him. He is jack of all trades and master of none. He has no working plan of life, no principle.

Naturally all of life seems a drudgery to such a man, for he never gets beyond the drudgery stage in any of the tasks he chooses for himself. His life is a series of hard beginnings.

Indecision is a habit that grows upon a man. Before he realizes it, he has gambled his life away on false tips. There are tides in the affairs of men, which taken at the flood lead on to fortune. There is also in each life that moment of indecision which is like the tide at the turning. Such a man neither recedes nor advances. He simply hovers.

The man who forges to the top in these highly competitive days must possess determined powers of decision. He must, like Caesar, burn his bridges behind him, and make retreat forever impossible.

"Hoc age"—"do it now!"

The Pathfinder

No man liveth unto himself alone. All need pathfinders. Newton, the scientist said, "If I have achieved anything in science it is because I have stood on the shoulders of giants."

The young student takes it as a matter of course that he shall follow the old masters. If music, he sits at the feet of great guides—Bach, Beethoven, Chopin. If art, he works for hours before copies of the great masters—Raphael, Michael-Angelo, Murillo. The student not only knows the value of the pathfinder, but is happy to acknowledge the debt he owes these immortals.

So it is in business. The man who forges to the front in industrial or commercial life, is the man who is closely in touch with everything the leaders in his line are doing. Businessmen are not ashamed to follow the pathfinder.

The greater the man, the more frankly does he acknowledge his debt to men still greater than himself. Plato sat at the feet of Socrates, Aristotle at the feet of Plato. Raphael learned his art from Angelo, and Correggio from Raphael.

President McKinley said he owed the inspiration of his career to Abraham Lincoln. While Lincoln pointed reverently to Washington as his guide.

None but a fool feels himself to be self-sufficient. The best of men must acknowledge their masters. Few there are in the galaxy of world stars that shine by themselves without the added luster of borrowed glory.

It is not weakness to have a pathfinder, but rather a mark of good sense.

Marriage Rules

The trouble with the rules of so-called specialists on marital happiness is that the subject does not lend itself to rules. There is no definite formula for success in marriage. One couple differs from another in the multitudinous traits of husband and wife, so that in each case the marriage problem is different from all others.

The problems that now must occupy students of marriage are transitory. Marriage is an ancient institution, and in old times the perpetuation of all that was worth while in life depends upon marriage. "And they lived happily ever after" is not only the ending of the old love story, but of the majority of old-time marriages. Marriage, now as then, can be happily worked out if husband and wife follow their consciences, their hearts, their kindly impulses, their love to conclusion.

How to keep New York "dry" worries United States officials, says a headline. And how to keep from being dry worries New Yorkers.

In the matter of feminine domination there are two classes of men—those who admit it and those who do not.

Marathon dishwashing feats will get more husbands than long-distance dancing.

Hiding one's light under a bushel is not a widespread modern failing.

America's dozen great women are not unanimously so by any means.

The first mortgage is reported to have been issued about 2100 B. C. Occasionally one sees the car it bought.

Editorials From Over the Nation

WHAT MEN ARE WORTH

Miami News Metropolis: In a strictly commercial age, when a man's worth is known in a more or less accurate manner by his associates in business or by his employer, it is not wonder that we always find four or five men in Chicago have been injured by the concern with which they are identified for \$1,000,000 each. These industries have an "insurance interest" in the man who forms the group and the idea involved, as will be understood, results in that the death of any one of these individuals would, in the judgment of the enterprise with which he is associated, be equivalent to a money loss of at least \$1,000,000. It is not always an easy matter to decide upon a man's worth since few men are apt to place any figures upon their own personal value. Worthiness is a matter of association. No man, it may be taken for granted, will be ready to confer that he is worth much if anything to himself. But his related value either to his family, his business or his investments places a definite stamp of interpretation upon the matter. An announcement of this insurance upon fourteen Chicago men does not represent anything particularly new in a business sense. The same thing has been done before by concerns which hold certain associates as being almost priceless in their own personal value. It ought to be a matter of satisfaction in any individual to feel that he would be so greatly missed if he succumbed to the inevitable.

Europe's Quest for Sound Money

Chicago News-Cable dispatches and letters from foreign correspondents of the Daily News give evidence that so far as Europe's many difficulties are the result of depreciated currencies, there are in some quarters reason to hope for early improvement. Indeed, improvement is all ready expected in Austria, where, through the financial reforms instituted under the League of Nations' plan to save that country from financial ruin, the value of the crown has been so stabilized that it is possible now to make contracts for delivery of goods at future dates with the assurance that the money to be received for them will possess its present value.

In Czechoslovakia, under the influence of national financial measures taken by the government, the value of the Czech crown has recovered very considerably from the low point to which it had dropped. It has recovered so much, indeed, that Czech manufacturers offer to furnish improvement on the ground that it would not be to their serious disadvantage in competition with manufacturers in neighboring states, particularly Germany.

But most Germany, with 1,000,000 marks, nominally worth \$225,000,000, selling at less than \$1, is convinced of the folly of expecting a return of real prosperity with a constantly declining and virtually worthless currency, and seeks a way to return to a gold standard.

Managers of the railroads, telegraph and some other government-controlled services have announced that they expect to begin doing business on that basis by Sept. 1.

Finally, in Russia, where the Bolsheviks did all in their power to destroy money altogether and where a ton of paper rubles is not worth a ton of gold, there has come a realization of the fact that in the medium of exchange is essential to the transaction of business under methods. The Soviet government has devalued, therefore, what is called a gold-guaranteed currency which in the foreign exchange markets of Moscow and Petrograd is quoted at as high a rate as in the United States starting. A new ten-ruble, gold-guaranteed note, worth nominally \$5, will buy \$25,000,000 Russian paper rubles, while a British pound will buy \$15,000,000.

PICK MATE BY HER FEET, SAYS DOCTOR

PHILADELPHIA, (A. S. S.)—Announcement by Dr. P. R. Hayden, of the National Association of Pathologists, that a man should judge a girl by her feet before proposing and demand a photograph of her arches instead of a portrait of her face, has aroused the sense of humor of the theatrical profession.

Miss Ruby Grant, en route to a dancing engagement at a New York playhouse, declares Dr. Hayden's case "one of the highest tributes to dancers and chorus girls ever received."

"In his talk on feet the doctor might have gone a step farther," Miss Grant said. "For instance, he might have pointed out that matrimonially inclined young men would be more likely to find the perfect mate in the stage than anywhere else."

The doctor himself asserts he has examined the feet of 100 co-eds at the University of Kansas and found only two perfect pairs—one pair owned by a Chinese girl.

"Can you imagine any such disappointing results if he searched among the girls of a Winter Garden or the Ziegfeld Follies?" I think not.

"Nearly every dancer has a high instep, if she hasn't when she first took up dancing, she soon developed one. Flat feet are fallen arches. In spite of that a girl only has a small chance of being picked by a young man," according to Dr. Hayden.

AMERICAN PRODUCTS ARE ADVERTISED IN CHINA

HARBIN, China.—The American Chamber of Commerce has sent into the interior districts a train carrying exhibits from the Standard Oil Company, the Dupont company, the Singer Sewing Machine company and the Baldwin Locomotive Works. It is hoped by the chamber that the train will increase American trade in the interior districts.

THE OPEN COURT

To the Editor of the Observer: I note what Secretary Wallace says in the Observer of August 21st. He says the money the people engaged in commerce and industry recognize as trouble the better it will be for us all. He says the farmer could get along fairly well with present prices of what he has to sell, if prices of what he had to buy were down accordingly. Why are not the prices of the things he must buy down accordingly? It is because the manufacturers of these goods are protected by the highest in the history of our country now as Wallace is a spokesman for the Republican administration on this question, why shouldn't he call for an extra session of Congress to repeal this outrageous high tariff, not only for the wheat grower, but for the apple grower, the prune grower, the potato grower and so on to the end of the chapter. The wheat growers are only one-tenth of the farmers of the United States. I would have just as good a right to have the price of my apples set as the farmer his wheat. It would be class legislation to set the price of wheat and would not do.

Henry Ford says the tariff is a nuisance. Yes, it is a hold up. If we expect European nations to buy our wheat, apples, hops and so on we must buy their goods. They cannot buy them unless we buy theirs, let us do unto others as we would have others do unto us, then everything will be lovely and the roads will hang high.—A. E. Wilson, Imbler, Oregon.

Editor Evening Observer: Will mention a real trip which Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith, proprietors of the Silver Fox farm at East La Grande made Wednesday regarding a deal on a few pair of rooks, La Grande to Payette Lakes or McCall, which is located on the edge of Payette lake.

We left La Grande at 3:30 A. M. and our first stop was at Weiler, Idaho, 120 miles in four hours, as we arrived there at 7:30 A. M. We ate breakfast at Weiler and again left at 8:30 o'clock, arriving at McCall at 1:30 P. M., 106 miles from Weiler. At McCall we were back in Weiler again and at three o'clock in the morning were home in La Grande again, 212 hours from the time we left. The enthusiastic round trip took us over 464 miles and was made in just 18 hours and 15 minutes running time.

McCall is way up in the mountains north of Weiler and the lake, we believe, is as large as Wallova lake, surrounded by heavy timber. We found good roads almost the entire distance, even in the mountains. We consumed 1 1/2 gallons of gasoline, making an average of 25 miles per gallon.

H. W. Smith.

NORWAY OPPOSES DENMARK'S CLAIM TO GREENLAND

COPENHAGEN.—(A. P.)—Denmark thought its title to Greenland was without blemish after the United States agreed to waive all claims to the Arctic islands as part of the consideration in the purchase of the Danish West Indies. But the interest of Norway in the land which "Eric the Red" discovered has suddenly revived.

The controversy between the two Scandinavian countries over the ownership of the east coast of Greenland has become so acute that Denmark now has a commission headed by former Minister Th. Zahle, traveling over the Arctic island for the purpose of making a report on the matter. The controversy between the two Scandinavian countries over the ownership of the east coast of Greenland has become so acute that Denmark now has a commission headed by former Minister Th. Zahle, traveling over the Arctic island for the purpose of making a report on the matter. The controversy between the two Scandinavian countries over the ownership of the east coast of Greenland has become so acute that Denmark now has a commission headed by former Minister Th. Zahle, traveling over the Arctic island for the purpose of making a report on the matter.

There are only about 17,000 inhabitants in Greenland, and of these only about 200 are Europeans, mostly Danes. The island is chiefly famous as a stopping off place for explorers in search of the North Pole and as the source of walrus which are shipped along on the North Atlantic coast. The trade is a monopoly of the Danish state, which enforces prohibition. The total import and export trade of Greenland is only slightly more than \$1,000,000 a year, and has declined 60 per cent. in the last few years.

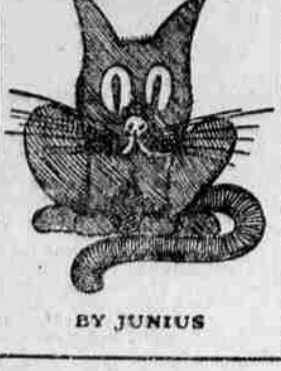
Norwegian claims upon Greenland date from the explorations of "Eric the Red" and Leif Ericsson in the eleventh century when the latter of these intrepid Norsemen is supposed to have discovered the American mainland. In the fifteenth century Norway abandoned all commercial relations with Greenland, and late in the eighteenth century Denmark began commercial relations with the island and established its colony there.

Denmark's colony there in 1921 was about the size of New York state, but the entire island over which it now is asserting its control is six times that large. The reason is in part in a measure that even the small amount of tillable land here the coast can produce only potatoes and over vegetables which do not require much heat.

Mr. Hood Is Popular. HOOD RIVER, Or.—The slogan of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, to the effect that Mount Hood, America's most beautiful mountain, is also the most beautiful for climbing, is attracting a large number of tourists to Hood every day. The last Friday night, according to Mark Westland, veteran Hood guide, a total of 1983 had descended at the forester's lookout station on top of the peak.

Mr. Westland says he believes that almost as large a figure as all the other great mountains of the Pacific coast for the summer. Last year, although Mount Hood is the most widely advertised mountain on the Pacific coast, only 212 climbed to the summit.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

Correct this sentence: "Let's not go to the dance," said the girl, "it's so much nicer to sit at home and read good to one another."

Normalcy is defined in the good old days when men saved tobacco bags and the women joined the Larkin club.

OOH! The world owes me a living," he said. And then the busy pup went on, "I guess I'll stay in bed, 'till they send it up."

PROPOSAL: A DECLARATION OF WAR, WITH THE FESTIVITIES AT THE START.

A mortgage isn't so bad. It's nice to have something on the premises the neighbors can't borrow.

Here's where I get my finish," said the table, as it was pushed into the waxing and polishing room.

There's a lotta men here in La Grande that remind you of toupees. They are always trying to fool other people and never get by with it.

A SIGN IN AN EMPTY STORE IN BRIDGEMAN, N. Y., READS: "THIS PLACE IS NOW ACROSS THE STREET."

"The lady had asked the hardest thing La Grande woman for something to eat," "Yes," she replied, "I'll fix you some supper if you'll saw and split some wood, sweep off the walk, fix that hole in the fence, tidy up the backyard and burn that rubbish piled up at the cellar door—'lady," said the lady as he started away, "I'm only a labor, I ain't your husband!"

The chief fault the public finds with newspapers, is that they are not all front page.

Two taxis rolled out of a secondary window in New York city, and barely missed ten persons. There is evidently nothing that they won't do to get at the pedestrians.

Coal took a sudden drop the other day. A truck loaded with six tons of it broke through a bridge.

When the 4D Won't Start. (Sing this to the tune of "America.") My auto 'tis of thee, Short cut to poverty, Of thee, I chant, I flew in pieces of dough, On you two years ago, And now you refuse to go, Or won't or can't.

It takes brains to get rich, perhaps; but not, obviously to inherit riches.

The farmer with straw in his whiskers is less to be pitied than the city man with hay fever in his system.

It is fine to have an enthusiast on the job if you have some plodder to go over his work and correct his mistakes.

"I feel that I shall be instrumental in securing a new opening for you," said the La Grande doctor as he cut out the appendix of the ex-soldier.

A pessimist, my son, is the optimist who ran for office.

Noted Woman Scientist Opens Clinic in Berlin

BERLIN, (AP)—Doctor Rhoda Erdmann, who was formerly connected with the laboratories of the Rockefeller Institute and Yale University, and was compelled by the war to give up her work there in the investigation of the creation of primitive life by artificial means, is in charge of an institute for cell research which has lately been opened in the Institute for Cancer Research in connection with the Berlin University Infirmary.

In 1919 Doctor Erdmann returned to Berlin and became a lecturer in the university. She also began investigations in the cultivation of tissues in continuation of the work done by Leo Loeb and others in the development of parts of the embryo removed from it under the microscope.

By degrees the work of Doctor Erdmann has progressed until it has now been officially inaugurated as a distinct institute. Doctor Erdmann has been helped by the American Emergency Society in financing and organizing her important work. She studied zoology under the late Professor Koelbe and is directing her investigations especially along lines followed by Professor Alexis Carrel.

Irrigation Water Short

WALLAWA, (Special)—Some of the farmers in the valley are experiencing some difficulty in being able to get enough water for irrigation purposes. A drier weather has been placed along the ditches leading from Bear Creek into the valley, efforts are being made to work the problem out satisfactory to all concerned.

Rainier Has House Shortage

RAINIER, Or.—The house shortage in Rainier is becoming more acute as summer advances. Several families are living in tents and some have taken up camp in the auto park in the absence of houses. Although there has been a building boom in Rainier all summer, the demand has not been supplied.

For the Fall of 1923



You are cordially invited to inspect our new line of Fall Millinery. Among so many alluring models you are sure to find one most becoming to you.

Kayser Silk Underthings for Fall Just arrived. Dainty patterns in delicate shades.

McWest & Co THE QUALITY STORE

Obituary

Mrs. O. S. Allen, SUMMERVILLE, Or.—Mrs. O. S. Allen, aged over 80 years, passed on here Thursday morning, her death being attributed to heart trouble. The entire community was shocked to hear of her demise and a large circle of friends are mourning her passing on. She was a resident of Summerville for approximately 20 years.

Edward Roberts, aged 62 years, died last evening after an extended illness, he deceased was formerly a resident of Emmett, Idaho, but has made La Grande his home during the past two weeks.

He is survived by his widow, four sons, Charles, of The Dalles, Edward, Howard and Robert of La Grande, six daughters, Katharine, Mary, Agnes, Treasa, Florence and Lucille, of La Grande, two brothers, Bernard, of Pendleton, and John, of Ireland.

His remains are at the Holmuenkamp Chapel and funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at ten o'clock from the Catholic Church.

Three Fires in Santon, ALBANY, Or.—Three small forest fires were reported since August 10 within the Santon National Forest

and the total damage done does not exceed the area of an acre. Of the eight fires reported in the forest this year, only three acres of ground have been burned over. This record is considered exceptional.



She used to be plain

NOW it is possible for even the plainest woman to be really attractive, even though her hair is straight, lifeless and full of dandruff.

The new Wildroot treatment soon makes a remarkable change.

WILDROOT Hair Tonic and Liquid Shampoo For sale by RED CROSS DRUG STORE

U. B. Thrifty says



"When you borrow from a bank it demands security—when you deposit in a bank demand security"

No bank can be stronger than the men who stand back of it.

Every individual connected with our bank fully realizes that he must do his full share in making our institution a safe place for your deposits.

And you do not have to demand either SAFETY or SERVICE here — they are yours as the natural result of our safe, conservative banking policy.

We desire to please YOU. And to do this we know that we must give you real service.

May we serve you?

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