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**MINUTE OF JOY.**—Thou wilt find the path of life in thy presence in the future of joy! At this hour there is pleasure for everyone. (Main 111.)

**OFFICE CAT**  
TRADE MARK



BY JUNIUS

A Family Joke  
No, Cardellabus, a family tie isn't one the Old Man and all the kids wear.

One newspaper suggests that "Nothing thing this country needs is fewer party dresses and more overalls." Correct.

The police claim a man named La Piano moved out of Milwaukee, Wis., leaving 29 notes behind.

No, Zenobia, the modern mermaid does not wag her tail when she is petted.

**EVERY MAN HIS JUST DESSERTS**  
The orator eats tongue, we hear, The Sultan, Turkey lunch, The undertaker drinks his beer, The pugilist his punch, The acrobats spring water drink, The banquet man eats toast, Surveyors eat their stakes, we think, And editors a roast, Sheepskinners have filled of sole, The printer ate and sweets, The hungry actor eats his role, Policemen munch their beats.

So live that when the time comes you can retire from instead of give up business.

If they put a tax on radios they might soak the coffee percolator a good shot too.

Five thousand silk pajama girls have gone on strike. These are the girls who make them but don't wear them.

The man who has the right kind of stuff in him never has to resort to bluff.

It's worth the cost of a doctor's visit just to have somebody listen while you describe your symptoms.

The trouble with being a bricklayer is that good bricklaying weather is always good golf weather.

He Ought to Get It—  
A convict in the Kansas penitentiary has asked the governor for a pardon on the plea that he fears he will corrupt his fellow inmates. He finds, he says, that he is the only guilty man behind the bars.

The Ritual Feminine—About all the girls save for the rainy day now is silk stockings.

WELL, WELL  
"You ask me why I have to laugh?"  
Asked Oliver McLammer.  
"I bought my wife a phonograph  
And got the old hammer."

"Is your skin an annoyance?"  
Asks an advertisement. Not at all.  
We are only too glad to have something we can occupy without paying rent.

One way to be happy is throw the first of the month mail into the waste basket.

Cleanliness is the best antiseptic.

**Editorials From Over the Nation**

**TREES**  
Philadelphia Public Ledger: Trees from the moment of their birth take with human being could we do the same. Trees, like mortals of flesh and blood, may be discouraged and defeated. Sometimes, in tender youth or in their prime, both are cut down. But the sight of a tree growing, as a man who increases in mental stature, is an inspiration and an example which it is wise to follow.

The tree, though it befriends a colony of animals and birds and the whole race of men, has its eager and persistent enemies that it has not deserv'd. It must endure the change of seasons. It must suffer heat and the snow, the rain, yet it lives healthfully to gladden the eye, to comfort with its shade; and when it dies it feeds the fires of a home, or it builds a house, or it provides the material for uses industrial and domestic hundredfold.

Living and dying, are we as useful as the trees that are called a pagan for impety of that observation. He deleted the offending sentiment. Thoreau was incensed; and the two men never quite repaired the wound that the incident dealt to their friendship.

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**MANY VISITORS IN COVE NOW**

COVE, (Special)—The Minam seems to be the object of all vacationists. People from La Grande, Union, Cove, and other adjoining towns are all winding their way to this delightful spot, that furnished rest and shade to the world weary and sport to the devotees of the piscatorial art.

Jonas Weimar and family, accompanied by Marvin Daniel, Gordon and Dorothy Mills and Fred Reed have just returned from a camping trip to the Minam. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Orton, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Conklin, Harry Weimar, and family are all camping there. John Mitchell, Wesley Smith, J. H. Love and Stewart French left Monday morning for this same spot.

Several new cars are to be seen on the streets of our little city. Charles DeHaas has a new Ford Roadster, Louis Latta a Chevrolet touring car, C. Hefty one of the same make, J. J. Duffy, Ford roadster, R. French, Studebaker Sedan, J. S. DeLong, a Ford roadster and C. L. Rowe another Ford roadster.

George Corpe of El Monte, California arrived in Cove Tuesday on a visit to his son Fred Corpe. Mr. Corpe left California two weeks ago, but came by way of Idaho and visited two daughters, Mrs. Haddon of Nampa and Mrs. Emil Blevins of Payette. It will be remembered that Mr. Corpe is a Cove man, having always lived here and been identified with Cove interests until a few years ago when he moved to California.

Mrs. Cora Bloom is at home again after spending a month at El Monte California visiting her sister Mrs. Helen Allen at that place.

Fred Corpe and family, accompanied by his brother in law, Theo. McClain will leave September 1 for Medford, where the Corpes will make their home.

There will be a meeting of the Cherry growers association at the Mt. Panny packing house on Tuesday evening to finish setting up the cherry business, and also in the interest of marketing the fruit crop.

Mrs. Barton, mother of Mrs. P. M. Ellis, who has been spending the summer with her daughter in Cove, will leave Tuesday for her home in Oklahoma.

Miss Florence Severa of Seattle, is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. F. Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Roberts who have been guests at the Dean home for the past month have returned to their home in Tacoma. Mrs. Roberts will be remembered as Miss Bonnie Severa.

Tom Towle had the misfortune to locate his hand a few days ago while operating his combine.

"The Swimmer's Hole" at Borkgreen's is by far the most popular place in town.

The Woman's Club will have an extra sale in the near future.

The list of Cove teachers as published recently is incorrect as there have been two resignations and their places have not been filled.

Joe Retel and his daughter Fanny are working in the prunes in Prosswater.

Mrs. Elmer Fulp is out again after her recent severe illness.

Mrs. L. R. Lay and Mrs. L. E. Anderson will entertain the Ladies Guild on Thursday afternoon.

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The Cove berry crop is nearly all harvested, although there are still a few blackberries and strawberries.

Miss Helen Payne of Walla Walla who has spent the summer here the guest of Miss Marion Conklin has returned home.

Miss Helen Moreland who has been a guest at the home of Mrs. G. E. Barker for a fortnight has returned to her home in Portland.

Oscar Lund was a La Grande visitor on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Weimar and Mrs. Wardell were Imbler visitors on Sunday.

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## A Season of Family Reunions

In addition to being the season for picnics of the employees of large corporations, annual outings of various sorts of organizations, camp meetings of religious associations, and the like, this is the period of the year in which family reunions are held. Frequent mention of such affairs may now be found in the daily newspapers of the large cities, but it is in the country papers that one finds most notice taken of them. Hardly an issue of a journal published in the rural regions of Oregon may be picked up these days without reading of family reunions.

The attendance at some of these gatherings is larger than one might expect. If the reunion is of the descendants of someone who lived in Revolutionary times, whose progeny have extended to the seventh and eighth generation, they may be numbered in the thousands.

Americans are a restless people who frequently change their place of abode. It is rare for an American to spend his life in one house. The probabilities are, accordingly, that the offspring of someone who died a hundred years ago will be widely scattered throughout the country. Yet sufficient of them may generally be found in the neighborhood of the place where their ancestor lived to make a gathering of impressive proportions.

The tie of blood is not so strong among the people of the United States as it was, let us say, among the members of the Scottish clans. Relationship is usually disregarded if it is more remote than that of second cousins, at most. Still, there are few persons who do not feel some interest in those who have, in common with them, an ancestor even seven or eight generations back. Family reunions serve an excellent purpose in giving them a chance to become acquainted.

If there have been good or great men and women in the family all will take pleasure in asserting their relationship. Family pride, stimulated by the reunion, will spur all on to be worthy of the name they bear.

## A Commission On The Job

It is a pleasure to record that the United States coal commission is one of the kind that stays persistently and vigorously on the job and has the courage to declare its opinion. While there is reason to believe that through its good offices and pressure the threatened anthracite strike may yet be averted, if this should not prove so the commission nevertheless would be credited with having done everything that could be expected of it to prevent the break, and its judgment as to those responsible undoubtedly would be generally accepted. It is gratifying to the public that its interests are being so ably and determinedly represented at the conferences of the miners and operators. After the latter had reached a deadlock some time ago, it was the commission that got them to resume negotiations in New York and, with the failure to come to a prompt agreement there, to try again.

While making no threats, simply emphasizing its duty to the public under the circumstances, the commission, through its chairman, John Hays Hammond, makes clear that if an agreement is not reached, or some method found for continuing the mines in operation, it will lay the fact fully before the president and congress, fixing what it believes to be the responsibility and making what recommendations it may deem appropriate.

With public sentiment set strongly for harmonious settlement of the differences and knowing that if the right spirit is shown by both sides such an agreement would follow as a matter of course, the party that would assume responsibility for letting the dispute go to a strike would be at a serious disadvantage.

It has become axiomatic that no strike can be won without public sentiment.

## The Lure of The Trades

There will be at first a gasp of amazement at the announcement that a college graduate, the holder of several degrees, and a civil engineer by profession, has declined the offer of a university professorship so that he may continue to carry on his trade as a plasterer. But if his statement as to his earnings in the last mentioned capacity is correct, who, on sober second thoughts, will deny that he has chosen the better part? In what college is he going to draw down a monthly pay check of \$500? University professors with such an income derived from their calling are few and far between. It has long been a grievance among educators that their earning powers are far smaller than are those of mechanics, and here is a concrete instance that proves their case to the hilt.

But, it may be argued, money is not everything, and there is no comparison between the dignity of the two positions. Perhaps not, but it may be noted in passing that, in a republic in particular, it is hard for a man to maintain dignity when his income is so exiguous that he is not able to meet his monthly bills. In many other respects, however, in addition to the money detail, the plasterer's position has decided advantages. His work is not sedentary and because of the muscles it brings into play it is in itself conducive to health; his hours are regular and not too long to deprive him of recreation or of cultural pursuits, if he is so minded, and he has a strong union at his back to see that in all respects the conditions under which he labors are satisfactory. Professionalships, as a rule, have not so many good points in their favor.

Should wages in the various handicrafts continue at their present high levels, the wonder will be if young men do not in great numbers abandon their white collar jobs and don overalls, and if parents will not increasingly send their sons to trades instead of clerkships and professions.

**EFFICIENCY ISNT ALWAYS DESIRED.**  
Kansas City Star: Enormous sums of money are wasted in purchases made by different government bodies. James H. Collins, in the Saturday Evening Post, points out this waste and shows how it might be prevented by more methodical and business-like methods.

His plan recalls the story of Edison in his early days inventing a method by which members of a legislative body, by pressing a button, could register their presence or their vote. He thought the invention would be snapped up because it would be such a time saver over the invention and it finally dawned on the inventor that legislative bodies used roll calls to all time, and so had no use for efficiency methods.

Some how we have a hunch that wasteful purchases by cities are a part of the political game and that there would be no enthusiasm for putting them on a business basis.

**Governor Will Open New Fair**  
WATSONVILLE, CALIF. (A. P.)—The second annual county fair of the Santa Cruz Farm Bureau Association will be held September 25 to 30 in the civic auditorium here, which for many years housed the famous California Apple Show. The first fair held at Santa Cruz last year was called a success, and Secretary-Manager E. J. Parkinson proposes to hold a similar event if possible.

Special days for the cities of this section are being planned and, on September 28, a railroad excursion will bring hundreds of visitors from the San Francisco Bay region. Governor Friend W. Richardson will officially open the show.

**Crossed Peers Have No Cores.**  
VISALIA, CALIF. (A. P.)—Horticultural experts are interested in the development of a new variety of pear by George Pratt, Visalia rancher. The new pear, a product of a graft of an Armenian pear bud to the Stock of a Madaya pear, has neither core nor seeds; the flesh is of exceptional softness and solid throughout. Mr. Pratt says he believes it will not be bothered with codling moth because there is no core. The graft tree bore for the first time this summer, having about fifty pears.

The sums demanded in alienation suits must almost make a bricklayer envious.

Read the Observer Want Ads.

## Poets' Corner

**YES—NO BANANAS? WUSSER, NO WATER**  
(By Flora L. Barrie)  
The devil looked round on his people.  
Said he,  
"I've a different task some one must do for me.  
There's a part of my kingdom that has been ignored  
For many long years and it should be explored.  
I'll need to enlarge my domains—  
such as hub  
With action and dominion right there on the job.  
The reason the task is so hard, I will tell.  
It's the water—the worst that's in heaven or hell  
Or the earth that's beneath, or the waters below.  
I'll tell you the truth 'ere I ask you to go.  
It is made up of vitrol and chloride and worms  
And has done skinned in the number of years.  
While sugar and fish in a purified way  
Just adds on top to make poor turn-out, aye.  
Think well—I'm the devil, but at that, even I  
Can't send you away without leaving a sigh.  
As the devil stopped speaking, a man raised his hand,  
"If it is, 'taint be—for I came from La Grande."  
I feel that I'm safe—I'm immune, so don't fuss.  
For this kind of water was peddled to us  
From old leaky pipes, from a reservoir, here,  
That runs from the river, with fish in the room.  
We've drunk this same water for forty long years,  
So better we've injured and we've pleased with boys.  
But only one promise—pre-creats kind,  
The question of water then shipped from the hotel.  
So, well, I'm here and I'm yours to command.  
I'm the man for the job for I've lived in La Grande."

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