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OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

A Revised Recipe. (By a La Grande Man.) Take one Marmoset. Soak in moonshine for a few hours.

Your husband is very absent-minded, isn't he? inquired Mrs. Blank, of La Grande, to her neighbor.

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THE OLD HOME TOWN



RUMMAGE SALE NEWS—TENTH AND FINAL DAY THE SALE CAME TO A SUDDEN END TODAY WHEN THE STOVE PIPE FELL HALF SMOTHERING THIRTEEN CUSTOMERS.

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Just received, our Spring shipment of silks. We ask you to inspect this gorgeous assortment of fine colors and patterns which will dominate throughout the coming season.

TRICOLETTES All latest Spring shades; excellent quality for \$2.00 yd.

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NEW SPRING WOOLENS Here is the most pleasing selection of Suitings, Skirtings and Coatings that we have ever presented—beautiful combinations of tans and blues in checks and stripes; also chocolates and sand colors which will be very popular this season.

California gradually have extended the scope of their activity until now they deal with their product from the time it is planted until it is placed on the market.

Some growers seem of the opinion that 1923 wheat held over until 1924, in the event of the creation of an export commission, will go into the 1924 surplus for export and enjoy whatever bounty may be determined for the 1924 exportable surplus.

4 room house, city water, electric lights, garage, woodshed and cellar; located on Y street on corner, all improvements paid. Tax lots. Price \$1300 and \$50 will handle it. This price includes two stoves and linoleum.

5 room modern house, basement, located on First street close to cement sidewalk, street will be paved next year, lawn, shade trees, lot 45x110 feet, new garage. Price \$3675.00; \$1500.00 cash. Balance monthly installments.

10 room modern house arranged for 12 apartments. One apartment now rented for \$25 per month with permanent renters. Located close in on Second street. Large lot, pavement and cement sidewalk, trees, lawn—a good home—all for \$1000.00; \$1500.00 cash will handle it; balance contract.

Youth

The overestimate of youth is a phase of weakness. The disposition to lament its passing is an evidence that one has not found the secret of a happy life.

Youth is the time of enthusiasms, bright hopes and hot desires. The tendency of the immature mind is to consider these things the best part of existence.

If we are fortunate enough to acquire wisdom as we grow older we find that contentment does not lodge in these things, but is a prize to be gained by the normal use of our will, our intelligence and our skill in self-mastery.

The sentiment which crops out so often in poetry and in novels that the joy of life's morning is all that's worth while is closely akin to cynicism.

For it leads to cynicism and to despair when the early period is once past.

The impression you get from the average novel is that the interesting part of life is over when the young people are married and done for.

As a matter of fact, the best part of life ought to be after fifty.

We begin life as young animals. We ought to wind it up as great spirits. And age is better than youth, precisely as the life of the spirit is better than the life of the flesh; precisely as an intelligent human being ought to be happier than an unthinking animal.

The average American family is dominated by the children. This is bad for them and for everybody else. It makes them intolerant, selfish and disagreeable. And it reduces their parents to a state of peonage.

The truth that every parent ought to know is that if a child's youth is to be a permanent asset in his life it must be made a period of discipline rather than of self-indulgence.

No one wants to go back to the heartless, callous and unsympathetic system of treating children. They should have their full portion of love, appreciation and understanding. But at the same time they should be made to realize that life is not a matter of having a good time.

It is a matter of self-mastery, of honor and of heroism. Such qualities alone bring permanent happiness. And such qualities do not grow in a soil of continual indulgence.

It is not a choice whether one shall be happy when he is old or when he is young. It is rather an intelligent taking up of the problem how so to govern the pleasures of all our days with temperance as to make one's whole life worth while.

Editorials From Over the Nation

DOES A HOUND TRUST HIS EYES? Archibald Leitch in Harper's: To the ancient trilogy of man, dog and horse—the way of the serpent on the sand, the way of the bird in the air, and the way of a man with a maid—I would add a fourth; the mystery of the trailing hound.

Perhaps there is no common phenomenon which is less understood and less appreciated than this. A good dog of any kind will perform a variety of trailing before our eyes, yet we remain unimpressed. For the thing is marvelous and a study of it cannot fail to elevate our consideration for the whole canine race.

Probably, both the sense of sight and the sense of hearing come occasionally into use. Not infrequently I have observed a trailing hound pause to flinch, especially in a thicket, in the hope that some noise made by the quarry might direct him. Sometimes the hound is thus guided. He often rejoins the pack through giving a monetary ear to its wild wailing. But the sense of sight, of course, is brought into play.

When we consider with what readiness and avidity a hound will run a trail in the dark, or when no tracks are apparent, we understand that the sense of smell is the master agent in this performance.

OUR WHEAT AVERAGE Rex Large in Collier's: For five years before the war an average of 47,037,000 acres was sown to wheat in this country. By 1919 our acreage had increased more than 20,000,000—to 67,427,000. The war ended with nearly 50 per cent more land sown to the grain than before. Supply and demand reduced our wheat acreage from 67,427,000 to 58,252,000 by 1922. That left us with 11,175,000 acres in excess of power averages.

Some such figures the Federal Reserve board forecasts; money lent on farm collateral and high land values was risky. The spree was over; Europe, for some years to come was out of the market for our surplus farm products at prevailing high prices.

While these things were happening here, a similar expansion had occurred in other countries which export food to Europe. We had increased our wheat acreage nearly 50 per cent; in Canada it had grown from 2,945,000 acres in 1913 to 18,210,000 in 1919, and approximately 22,000,000 in 1922. Argentina, Australia, and India had expanded their wheat planting very largely, if not to such a great extent.

The farmer was depending on Europe to absorb this postwar surplus, since that stricken continent had bought it up during the conflict. The food of the people is not so important to governments in peace. The end of paper credits had been reached. Money was talking again, and loudly. Europe turned to producing its own bread as far as possible.

Five principal wheat-importing countries have restored their acreage to 21,000,000 from the low point of 26,000,000. Eleven countries which harvested 45,000,000 acres of wheat in 1920 reported 22,150,000 for 1923.

NEED MORE TIME TO PAY DEBTS. Brookside Gazette-Telegram: What the farmers of the Northwest really need, and what President Coolidge has proposed to give them, is not more credit—we have that, but too much credit. In the past all had too much credit. It is now time to pay off the indebtedness already incurred because of a series of bad crops and profligate years.

INEFFICIENCY THE MOST EXPENSIVE. Postings Times: The great obstacle in the way of good government does not lie in direct political graft and through this means are not great in the aggregate. The real loss comes from inefficient government that results when politicians put incompetent men in office. When government function gets into such hands, public services cost more and the taxpayers are burdened.

DISINTERESTED

Minister: "Do you want to get married?"

Mild La Grande Man: "Not particularly, but this lady does."

WHEN YOU HEAR A MAN BOAST OF HIS FAMILY TREE, JUST RECALL THAT NITS OFTEN GROW THAT WAY TOO.

He Does. "What does your father do, William?" a La Grande groceryman asked a boy yesterday.

"Evelyn's—that's what our land lord told me yesterday."

God made the country but man made the dangerous curves.

A La Richards. B. V. D.: I lost a fine last night. How can I find it?

Answer by Junius—Tie the lady's throat with a feather. He swallowed it.

P. D. C.: I love my wife but I don't know whether she returns the affection or not. Can you set me right?

Answer by Junius—A good way to find out is to discuss yourself and try to carry on a flirtation with her. With your natural charm and ability to please try to get your wife to be able to find out.

H. C. L.: Should I get married? Answer by Junius—No. Merely wash your shirt yourself and the buttons will stay on them.

L. O. L.: Will I ever succeed as a singer. I have trained my voice but cannot seem to get any one's attention.

Answer by Junius—I advise you to get a job selling tickets in a carnival concession.

H. S. P. V.: My best girl refused to dance with me last time I asked her, even though I took her to the hop. What should I do?

Answer by Junius—Get her to sign the dotted line.

A. A. L.: I'm trying to learn to play Mah Jongg, but I seem to have no luck. Can you enlighten me?

Answer by Junius—Why not try loaded dice?

CAVE-IN IN MINE FATAL TO 11 MEN

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stunt man," one survivor said. Then the leaping black wave of death engulfed them, fastening its victims against the walls.

Night found scores of wives and mothers and children at the shaft opening, some in frantic tears, others dry-eyed and staring as helpless as were the men about them, to snatch from the murky waters the bodies of their loved ones.

Many Young Men. Most of the victims were young men, many of them married and most of the children that took up the sorrowful vigil with their mothers were tiny tots, clutching in wonderment at their mother's skirts, awed by the thing that had slain their fathers.

While a number of the men were foreigners, by far the greater number were naturalized Americans.

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Nothing has such concentrated, penetrating heat as red peppers. Instant relief. Just as soon as you apply Red Pepper Rub you feel the tingling heat. In three minutes it warms the sore spot through and through. Frees the blood circulation, breaks up the congestion—and the old rheumatism torture is gone.

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