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THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS.—Give unto the Lord the
glory due unto his name; bring an offering, and come before
him; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. 1 Chronicles
16:29.

PRAYER.—O God, most holy, Thou art of purer eyes
than to behold iniquity, yet we sinners come to Thee. Make
us clean by Thy Grace, and we shall worship Thee acceptably.

Faster---More Speed

A popular subject of conversation today is the speed
at which man is living. It is often said, and truthfully,
that human beings live more in 40 years now than in 80
years three decades ago. It seems the aim of all in this
strangest of ages to do everything possible and in the
quickest possible time.

There are many reasons to believe that the energetic
men and women of today accomplish as much in a day as
their grandparents did in a week. A score and 10 years
ago men and women (few women) went out into the world
earlier and attained financial or professional success later
than the modern worker. This decade has the advantage
of more and better education, but there is a new genius of
high-powered energy and ambition that is playing a large
part in accelerating modern progress.

There was a time when the sailing craft, pony express
and overland stage met all ordinary requirements for speed
and haste. Then the steamboat and 15-miles-per-hour
railroad came into being to expedite human intercourse.
Today colossal liners cross the Atlantic in five days, rail-
road trains speed overland at 70 miles an hour, automobiles
attain the tremendous speed of 120 miles an hour, aero-
planes have exceeded 200 miles an hour, we talk from con-
tinent to continent, across continents by telephone and
around the world by radio.

But still modernity craves for speed and more speed.
Captains of industry and the public cry for faster produc-
tion, shippers demand more rapid transportation messages
are not delivered quickly enough, our automobiles are too
slow. Not even light, which the astronomers say travels
186,000 miles a second, has been found sufficiently rapid
to meet the needs of science.

There is no such thing as satisfying human wishes, espe-
cially the wish for faster living.

Editorials From Over the Nation

COSTLY GRADE CROSSINGS

Baker Democrat.—The Inter-
state Commerce commission re-
ports that there were 2269 per-
sons killed and 4214 injured in
American railroad grade crossings
last year. It estimates from the
current rate of increase that this
year there will be 2500 killed and
4800 injured.
It is a serious enough record to
draw attention more than ever
on this problem. The considera-
tion of human safety in March
should be enough to inspire ef-
forts everywhere to eliminate the
most dangerous crossings as rapidly
as funds can be found for the
purpose. The property damage in
collisions is a large item, too. But
the mere expenditure of traffic that
is accomplished by running im-
portant thoroughfares over steel
under the railroad tracks is sure
to pay for the improvement
eventually, no matter how great
and burdensome the cost may be.
With vehicle traffic increasing as
it is here to meet and move neces-
sity for avoiding all obstacles to
smoothly flowing traffic.

WHEN BOLD MEN WIN

Pendleton first Oregonian.—The
history of American aviation re-
veals no more thrilling tale than
that of the return of Major Meritt
and his assistant, Sergeant Har-
vey. For 18 days these men had
been missing in the wilds of the
far north. They had been given
up for lost. It was a reasonable
supposition that they had been
drowned or had otherwise perished.
But when hope had been aban-
doned the men returned, safe and
sound. Last fall the men, who
most dangerous enemy they had
struck against a mountain peak on
the Alaskan peninsula. By a miracle
they escaped being hit by their
plane was wrecked. They had to
walk back to civilization and they
did not know how to go. In good
fortune they found, after wander-
ing for seven days, a cabin in
which there was food. There was
a rifle and ammunition in the
cabin and they killed some
ducks. With their strength re-
stored through three days of eat-
ing and eating they made their
way to a settlement.
All rejoice when bold men win

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



The stern methods of the old
schoolmaster. The hands of the
clock cannot be turned backward.
Instead of our old rod, we have
to depend on the new, which is
the incentive of success, the motive
of emulation. The sting of shame,
the reproach of religion and social
and professional subordinates
are an instrument with which the
souls of the young must now be
secured to application, to concentra-
tion, to action. If the student
feels no such sting, he must be
regarded as lost. The hope is not in
him. He is a laggard, and the
worse off than his grandfather,
who thought he were a laggard,
was driven by the rod to his task,
and in spite of himself was com-
pelled to achieve it. After all, what
a lot of human success is involuntary!

28 YEARS AGO

La Grande Gazette, May 15,
1896.—Sheriff Poy was over from
Union Thursday.
County Clerk Oliver was in La
Grande Wednesday.
J. W. Knowles paid Baker City
and the first of the week.
Born—On Saturday, May 9,
1896, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thom-
son, a girl.
Miss McDaniel, candidate for
recorder, was over from Union
Monday.
Thos. Crawford, one of Union's
bright legalities, was in La Grande
Monday.
Born—To J. D. Casey and wife
Hillard, Oregon, Saturday, May
9, a son.
Attorney E. E. Ivanhoe, of En-
terprise, passed through the city
on his way home from Pendle-
ton Monday morning.

The Land Not to Blame.
Fairmont Sentinel: "Land Will
Come Back" is a line we are
reading constantly in all optimistic
publications and hearing on the
streets. Land has never gone
away.

The only thing that has gone
away out of reach is man's un-
derstanding of what he wanted for
the land. "Good brown soil" has al-
ways been honest, dealing with
others as it was dealt by, and will-
ing to serve man. But when a
man wanted it to serve Mammon
—then things began to happen.
But why blame it onto the land?

Poison.
San Francisco Journal: A new
type of magazine is appearing
which panders to the lowest in-
stincts of readers. The tenden-
cy of this group of vendors of
badly seems to be the female
figure in varying degrees of nud-
ity.

They are cheap in price.
Hackneyed themes, evidently
written by local writers with a
penchant for the salacious word
and phrase, comprise the abhor-
rented at a nominal price.
They tempt—not to loiter on
the border of the obscene, but to
pass beyond it.
And they are being bought and
read by the millions of copies.

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST
SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO
THE EDITOR IF THEY DE-
SIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

DISCUSSES WATER QUESTION

You are kind enough to offer
space in the columns of the Ob-
server to discuss the water ques-
tion for La Grande. But strange
it seems no one wished to discuss
it. Evidently La Grande is not
ready to discuss or decide the
water question, or else our city
fathers are not able to strike the
key note.

We have somewhere read that
the Fraxones of American Con-
stitution labor to accomplish nothing of a de-
finite nature, other than some un-
certain goal that is worth a
willing to start their deliberations
with prayer. A word to the wise
should be sufficient.

The water question has always
been a most serious one in the
past. Moses found it in his day
and did King and other great
men, further down the line, and
if the many readers of your interest-
ing paper will turn up their heads
and read the following passages
they will find it most interest-
ing material. It is a story that
held a prominent place on the
front page of any daily.
If you wish to learn how little
we really know about water read
Exodus 15: 22-27, 17: 1-7, 24: 1-8,
Numbers 20: 2-11, 11 Kings 2: 3-15.
Jeremiah 2: 13.

We believe the time is near
when water will be obtainable with
less effort by a better knowledge of
nature laws, but until then we will
probably continue to toss. It is
prevident to look after us, our
predecessors did.

SANDHILL STRAWBERRIES ON SALE

LEBANON, Ore.—Sandhill River
bottom strawberries are coming
into market in sufficient
numbers to supply the demand of
those who can afford to invest 25
cents a box for such luxury.
The growers say that within
the next two weeks berries will be
plentiful.

As we understand it, New York's
intention is to drive out all crooks
who don't pay their rent.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

THE SECRET OF POPULARITY.

The advice big sister gives little sister is "bein and bare it"—that is, of course, if she has a nicely dimpled knee.

Girls who have learned to dance well, paint well and look sweet cannot see any earthly use for bothering about learning to think.

He took her skating on the lake. She vowed she'd go no more. I asked her why—her answer came "He only hugged the shore."

You will not be arrested for—killing time, hanging pictures, running over a new song, smothering a laugh, or murdering the English language.

Rejected Suitor—"Do you object to my presence at your wedding?" The Girl—"It all depends on how you spell the word."

There are too dawgno many men who think that their praying to God on Sunday forgives them for prying upon their fellow men the rest of the week.

The great advantage in having no money is that you don't have to be bothered about saving it.

Civilization doesn't change things much. One generation gets rich by developing natural resources, and the next by leasing them.

PLAYED-OUT ALIBIS. "We'd better stay back here, Malet, it's bad for the eyes up in front."

If you can't say something good and helpful about a man or woman, keep your language trap closed. It is not only bad form to chatter behind one's back, but it's cowardly, and always denotes a shallow brain and a weak spine.

If you haven't time to bother with your boy, somebody of rather questionable character has.

A righteous town is one in which the druggist doesn't know what you mean when you wink at him.

The baby and the radio always do the awful things after the company have gone.

Some folks still think the League of Nations is composed of baseball teams.

Our idea of a modest man is one who can keep his opinion of himself to himself.

He—My views on brining up a family are—

She—Never mind your views, I'll bring up the coal!

AN OUNCE OF KEEP-YOUR-MOUTH-SHUT IS WORTH A POUND OF TRY-TO-SQUARE-YOURSELF.

CAMPAIGN STUFF. When a lady goes into politics she has to produce a photograph of herself surrounded by all her progeny, to show her fitness for the job she is seeking, while all a man has to do is to show a picture of himself looking intense and earnest, with heavy lines of determination etched about his mouth, and a strong chin, if any.

TAKE THE TRAGIC COP'S WORD FOR IT. A Boston man of 55 is reported to have won a great fortune. It is said that he has been running for a number of years. He is unmarried.

DISILLUSIONMENT. I might tell of her witty line, or her alluring smiles, I might tell of her shapely form, or her enchanting smiles, I might tell of her wondrous hair, or her enticing ways, I might tell of her naughty eyes, or her entrancing gaze, I might tell of her features fair, or her enticing paint, I might tell of her beautiful— But, I— I am, I am, The champ tough luck guy is a man in New England. He was struck by lightning three times and lived and walked home each time. Later he was smothered by a fluffer and spent six months in the hospital.

About the only difference is that an "edible de luxe" requires seven more installments.

We might get used to bobbed hair if girls in the theaters didn't comb it so persistently into the faces of the people just behind.

The medal for uselessness goes to the man who offers to buy his wife a new pair of slippers when he knows she has a hole in her stocking.

Eve, being a spare rib, has naturally had a lot of roasting.

AS YOU LIKE THEM

WE have them, as you like them. Possibly you do not care for the style of clothes that appeal to the average man; your taste is different. That is why we have stocked such a great variety of styles and patterns this spring.

HART SCHAFFNER & MARX

Maybe you do not feel that you can pay so much for your new suit, but at the same time you want good style and good quality. You will get your money's worth and more in our

GOLD BOND
Two Pants Suits for
\$35.00 and \$40.00

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Are You Receiving Long Mileage From Your Shoes?
To some men a shoe is a shoe; but to others, a shoe is a Florsheim and no other will do. They have tried them and know that only the best of materials and most competent workmanship are put into these stylish wear defiers.
Most Models—\$10.00

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Japan which will insure Japanese exclusion and justify removal of the Jap prohibition clause from the bill. Both Coolidge and Secretary Hughes hope this can be done. In the meantime, while these efforts are under way, the bill was held "in conference."

If this cannot be effected, there, too, a veto is possible. And a veto without a satisfactory "diplomatic arrangement" would be an act of being overridden by a two-thirds vote in Congress as would the bonus bill.

On taxes Coolidge must accept the Democratic-Progressive coalition bill or elect to take none at all.

Here will be the real test. The bonus and immigration bills are unpopular to the vast majority of voters. The tax bill hits the pocket nerve of every man and woman who will go to the polls in November. A veto which would postpone tax reduction for a year would hand to the opposition a powerful campaign slogan.

But approval of a bill which he had publicly branded as unscientific and ineffective would invite criticism perhaps as damaging.

The manner in which Coolidge handles these three measures will furnish a good gauge for measuring his backbone, his adherence to principle and his susceptibility to pressure and to expedience.

They will determine definitely the measure of his candor and his caution, and perhaps decide whether he will continue to "execute" after March 4, next, or whether he will be "executed" on November 4.

Silence is often more disquieting than sound. Particularly in politics. So long as you can hear the other fellow you can form some idea of what he is up to, and how to get back at him. But silence—well, all one can do is wonder—and listen.

That's why the ears of party leaders among both the Democrats and Republicans are being over-strained now.

For about a month there has been a suspicious quiet with respect to what La Follette and his instruments are likely to do. This quiet has become oppressive.

"What does it mean?" they ask. "What are they doing?" they ask. "What is the cat in the hat before the storm? What? What? What??"

Five Zoss Totted of Parrots.

STUTTGART, Germany (AP)—They've recently made a specialty of parrots which speak. The local zoological garden and the zoo in Berlin, Frankfurt, Nuremberg and Dresden have reported thefts of birds, and in all cases valuable parrots were taken. Shipping agencies and shipping lines have been advised of the thefts and the zoo hope to prevent the exportation of the birds.

Cheer Up --the less you have the more there is to get.

UBP Frifty.

The more you help home interests the better La Grande will get.

LOYALTY BEGETS LOYALTY

Patronizing home institutions of all kinds is being fair to those from whose patronage you expect to profit.

Loyalty to those who are loyal will work reciprocal prosperity.

For banking service to La Grande people come to the banks are unexcelled.

La Grande money banked in other towns can do La Grande little good.

Make it fifty-fifty. Patronize those institutions whose support and patronage you enjoy.

"There is no substitute for Safety."

La Grande NATIONAL BANK

SOUND-RELIABLE-PROGRESSIVE