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HE THAT TRUSTETH IN HIS OWN HEART IS A FOOL.
—Prov. 28:26.

Tragic

The last few days of the Democratic national conven-
tion have encompassed too many tragic events to permit
the usual joking and jibing of one political party to an-
other. The Democrats are up against what is very ap-
parent a most serious matter, and the fact that the scene
is laid in New York city, that it is a case of two ele-
ments standing ready for battle, that the leadership of
both factions seem to be incompetent to heal the sore, all
combine to make the national convention now in session
in America's largest city a tragic event in American his-
tory—an event which all men and women regardless of
political party or religious creed sincerely hope will iron
itself out without the break which still appears possible.

Enterprise and Her Musicians

La Grande people enjoyed last evening a most delig-
htful musical program when the Enterprise Philharmonic
orchestra opened Chautauqua in this city.

It was without doubt the best Chautauqua evening ever
experienced by this city during the many years we have
had this annual event. Prof. J. David Haines had his
orchestra in the top notch. Every player was alert and
every player is an artist. The selections rendered were
high class, and the vocal numbers were very pleasing.

La Grande has a high regard for her sister city, En-
terprise, and her appreciation of the people of that com-
munity increased last evening when the orchestra so delig-
htfully entertained.

People With Fortitude

A Pomona grange meeting was held Saturday at Union.
It was a very successful meeting, well attended, and the
problems of agriculture were discussed in a most interesting
manner.

The men and women who follow agriculture deserve the
credit for possessing fortitude, and yet their business is
like other lines in the respect that when one is trained for
a certain kind of work there is little to do but follow it.
Right now agriculture is at low ebb, it is in the lowly
valley while most other lines of business are on a higher-
level financially. This fact so well known does not deter
and stop the earnest procedure of the grange members who
met Saturday at the Union experiment station and spent
the day discussing ways to raise better live stock, to make
the land produce more grain, to improve rural conditions
of Eastern Oregon.

Curses, Plain and Fancy

It is a funny thing that folk should be irritated when
other people call them names. It is so easy to insult the
average man or woman that it is a wonder anyone takes
the trouble to do it.

Think of the expression "you poor fish," for instance.
What does it mean? An answer is really hard to find,
and yet it cannot be denied that pronounced in the scorn-
ful, rebuking way that the epithet suggests, it will make
almost anyone fight. Various countries have various in-
sults. If you tell a French-Canadian that he is a "pea-soup"
it makes him mad. The Parisian, in a nasty mood, has
little success in giving umbrage to his neighbor by such
mere terms of affection as "crab" and "oyster." But let
him go so far as to call the other a "poor little old cow,"
and he is in for a fist fight or a duel.

In the southern portion of the Appennine peninsula the
remark "May an accident befall you," is only a friendly
way of passing the time of day. But the expression of
the hope "may you be carried home in four pieces," is due
cause for a riot on the spot. There are many ways, the
world over, for cursing your enemies, but when you come
down to it they are all rather trivial things to say.

The French may be speedier in the process of supplant-
ing one president with another, but ours stick tighter.

London society women are "up to snuff" literally. At
least they are reported indulging in pinches.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

Probably the reason why it is
not good etiquette to wear a watch
with a dress suit is because most
fellows never have both at the
same time.

Sadly he faced the firing squad,
And kicked off in disgrace;
He lies beneath a mound of sod—
He trumped his partner's ace.

Old fashioned courtship couples
pulled the shades down; moderns
put the curtains up.

Farmer: "Be this the Woman's
Exchange?"
Woman: "Yes."
Farmer: "Be ye the woman?"
Woman: "Yes."
Farmer: "Well, then, I think
I'll keep Maggie."

Science has found that the mid-
night kiss is the safest and most
enjoyable but most young fellows
should be on their way home at
that hour.

Shekat went swimmin' yester-
day and today he has a nice cut
of sunburn. Oh, yes. And when
he came into the office this morn-
ing he accidentally slapped him-
on the back and OH! BOY! did
he feel it! He went about six
feet up in the air and came down
making a noise
like the battle of
the Marne. After
a lotta nice apolo-
gies he forgave
us and all was
well.

Yes, he went
swimmin' at Un-
ion yesterday and
he says the girl
cats are more
likable every
time he sees 'em. Especially yester-
day, when he saw a lot of 'em.
"Well," he confided, "there is al-
ways something to take the joy
out of life. The Union mayor and
council have issued orders that the
girls must wear bathing suits or
stay in the water. "He concluded
that they "bathed" in the water,
dare it?"

Coman boyie claims dogs and
cats will have a place in heaven.
"It may be heaven for the dogs,"
Jones remarks, "but it'll be hell
for us cats."

When the modern speaks of a
natural school-girl complexion he
is thinking of the fifth grade and
under.

Railroad With Unnatural Gain
Seeks Permit to Abandon Line

LOS ANGELES (AP)—In atti-
tude and earnings the Death Valley
Railroad is the lowest in the United
States, according to a report filed
here with the State Railroad com-
mission, seeking permission to
abandon the line because the com-
pany declares, "it isn't worth the
distinction of being designated a
common carrier."

In the request for permission to
abandon the line as a common car-
rier it was noted that the earnings
jumped from \$1,222 in 1922 to
\$22,78 in 1923. Company officials
explained that the increase was
"unusual" and was an account of
motion picture companies using the
desert as locations.

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Editorials From Over the Nation

OREGON HIGHWAYS.
(Enterprise Record-Chief Editor)
Oregon citizens may well be
proud of the highways built by the
state. Here in eastern Oregon
there are several stretches of road
of such striking and spectacular
appeal that a person cannot go over
them without feeling the thrill of plea-
sure. They are truly beautiful
specimens of man's handiwork and
blend themselves into majestic
landscapes of which they seem in-
tegral parts. Such sections of road
are found on the Oregon Trail be-
tween Pendleton and La Grande,
between Union and North Powder,
between Baker and Huntington,
and on the Walla Walla county branch
highway between Elgin and Minam.
The Oregon commission also is
doing most admirable work in the
way of maintenance, which is the
chief problem for the future. No-
body knows yet what type of road-
way will carry the heaviest travel
with least wear, and nobody really
knows what is the most economical
type of roadway. Time and experi-
ence alone can settle these points.
The state board is conducting many
experiments with crushed rock sur-
faces, and is actually maintaining
these surfaces in such excellent
condition that riding over them is a
continual pleasure. There are
few miles of rough, pitted or cor-
rupted highway in eastern Ore-
gon, and these will be resurfaced
in their turn very shortly.

A RELIGIOUS NATION.
Christian Science Monitor: At a
time like the present when many
regard politics as the very essence
of enthusiasm, the enthusiastic
spirit with which the playing of
"Onward, Christian Soldiers" was
received at the recent Cleveland
convention furnishes an interesting
commentary on the true underlying
convictions of the nation.
"Politics" may veneer the sur-
face, but beneath there is in the
unconsciousness of the people of
the United States a spiritual founda-
tion, the reality and strength of
which is unmistakable. Like school
boys, however, they hesitate to hold
up to the public gaze their inner
feelings along these lines, prefer-
ring even to be misunderstood rather
than to run the risk of being
accused of "sentimentality."
But the fact remains that inher-
ently they are deeply religious, in
the larger meaning of this word,
and such an incident as that refer-
red to points the issue more cer-
tainly than hours of oratory or vol-
umes of well-turned phrases.

Japanese Flies Imported To Kill Japanese Beetles

SEATTLE (AP)—Some time ago
a number of Japanese beetles found
their way to New Jersey in a ship-
ment of irises. These beetles spread
until they have become a menace to
vast truck gardens in New Jersey.
A special variety of Japanese fly,
several billion of them, is being im-
ported to exterminate the beetles,
for which they have shown a fer-
ocious and effective appetite in the
old country.
G. Webb was sent here by the
United States bureau of entomol-
ogy to supervise the shipment of
flies, which arrived on a recent
steamer and have been forwarded to
New Jersey by the post office
department. They were packed in
250 crates, the consignment weigh-
ing four tons.

New York Lures Norwegians

CHRISTIANIA (AP)—The Nor-
wegian consul-general in New York
has informed the foreign office that
748 Norwegian seamen deserted
their ships in New York during
1923. Norwegian shipowners are
hopeful that the American con-
gress will make it an offense for
captains of vessels to employ men
who are known to have deserted
from other ships.

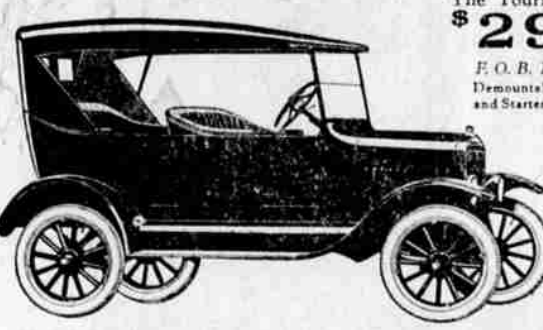
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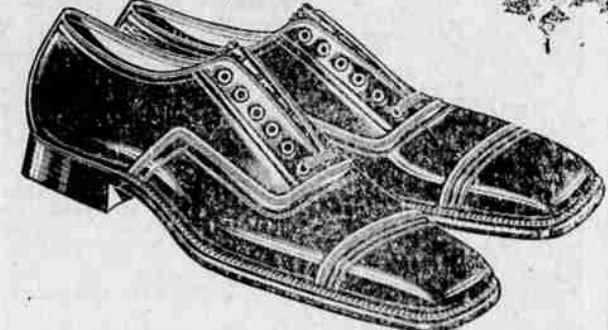


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Masonic Lodges to Meet.

ASTORIA, Ore.—Plans are being
perfected for an open air meeting
of members of the four Masonic

lodges and of the Eastern Star shipful masters of the lodges have
chapters in Clatsop county to be already appointed the members of
held at Seaside on the afternoon a joint committee to arrange de-
and night of July 17. The wor- tails for the gathering.

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live on less'
after he's married—
he has to

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pay out your money and
not know just where
and how it is spent.

And you can't afford
to take chances on hav-
ing to pay the same bill
twice, either.

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at this Bank is the only
businesslike way to
spend money.

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