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THE GRASS WITHERETH, THE FLOWER FADETH;
BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD SHALL STAND FOREVER.
Isaiah 40:8.

A Nation-Wide Problem

The big metropolis has little in common with the cross-
roads village. When the same problem is encountered by
both large and small communities it is so greatly multi-
plied in the city that the city problem loses its relation
with the rural.

The one possible exception is perhaps the traffic prob-
lem. The rapid increase in numbers of the automobile
has created a nation-wide traffic congestion which is hard-
ly less serious, relatively, on rural highways than on the
busiest city thoroughfares. The limited road facilities in
the country and small towns are as heavily taxed by the
rush of traffic as are the broader city streets. Toward the
relieving of our national traffic congestion at least the
large and small communities can work in unison and mutual
helpfulness.

Money, study and cooperation are necessary to the so-
lution of our new transportation problem. Money is re-
quired to build new roads, more roads, better roads and
wider roads. The widening of streets in the cities and
towns involves the condemnation and purchase of private
property before construction work can be undertaken. City
planners and road builders with foresight and the neces-
sary money a century or more ago would have solved our
problem before it arose. It is doubtful whether we have
the foresight and money to solve the traffic problem of
the future. The scientific study of traffic will aid much
in alleviating conditions. Parking restrictions, classifica-
tion of traffic, police supervision and routing are bringing
results in some places. Scientific study is also building
better roads for less money and taking better care of fu-
ture demands.

Cooperation is most essential in the untangling of our
transportation jam. Those who must cooperate are the
motorists, the pedestrians and the general public. The
motorists may have to surrender some of their parking
privileges, the pedestrians must be reconciled to greater
caution in crossing busy streets.

Progress Cannot Be Staged

Lord Sumner, a judge of the British high court of jus-
tice, in addressing the British Science Guild, declared that
"experience has shown that a greater part of the discov-
eries of applied science are purely evil." For examples, he
cited the phonograph as "corrupting the musical sense of
the civilized world," of the moving picture as "devoid of
value" and of the waste and intility of the automobile.

His lord's chief objection to the automobile is that he
sees no advantage in scurrying along at twice or three
times the rate people so long found satisfactory with their
horses and stages.

Some such conservative as Lord Sumner probably be-
trayed the first horseback rider for traveling at a higher
speed than his pedestrian-fellows on the excuse that man
up to that time had always walked and that he could not
conjecture why anyone should care to scurry along on a
horse. It is reasonable to suppose that there have been
Sumnerian conservatives as long as there have been men,
so the first prehistoric man to ride a dinosaur and the first
owner of a wheel cart must have been pestered and an-
noyed with somewhat similar objections.

With apologies to Messrs. Bryan and Darwin, we will
imagine the conservative quadruped apes on the tree tops
and the paleolithic rocks scolding the first of their num-
ber to walk on two legs. In our own day we frequently
hear men say the automobile is fast enough for men when
the subject of air transportation is raised in their presence.

If Lord Sumner would visit America he would find the
phonograph bringing good music to homes where it had
never been before, he would find moving picture theaters
in every community giving the people an education in world
affairs and he could see class prejudices and provincial
barriers collapsing before the automobile. Our experience
with applied science has proven all of its discoveries boons
to mankind.

Are you fixing up the new hat for the Maxville cele-
bration?

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



SINCE ROBERT ROBBINS CAME HOME AFTER EIGHTEEN YEARS ABSENCE HIS PAIN CAN BE SEEN MOST ANY TIME OF DAY RUNNING DOWN CHICKENS.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

THE BARBER'S CHOICE
"While you bob me," said the La Grande lady to the barber, "tell me all the neighborhood news — and make it snappy."

Says the Warren (Pa.) Evening Times:

When a plumber makes a mistake he charges twice for it.

When a lawyer makes a mistake he has a chance to try the case all over again.

When a carpenter makes a mistake it's just what he expected.

When a doctor makes a mistake he hurries it.

When a judge makes a mistake it becomes the law of the land.

When a preacher makes a mistake nobody knows the difference.

When an electrician makes a mistake he blames it on the induction; nobody knows what that means.

When an editor makes a mis-

take—good night! ! !

"Are they engaged? I heard him begging for 'just one' behind the palms over there."

"Saw! They're married. He was askin' for a dollar."

When science has made all the women ravishingly beautiful who in the dickens will darn all the men's socks.

Probably the most annoying thing about work in the night of a man who gets along without it.

If a fellow doesn't get a letter from his girl it is much more to the point to write to her before

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[In case of temporary disability, as a result of either sick-

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Carelessness Causes Fire. HOOD RIVER, Ore. — E. W. Wheeler, in charge of Herman creek forest ranger station, apprehended Charles Points of Okla-homa who was fined \$10 by Jus-tice of the Peace Onthank for leaving a camp fire burning near Wyeth. Ranger Wheeler, who spent the night fighting fires in the vicinity of Bonneville and Warrenton, said that every mid-Columbia ranger was on the alert for fires, the woods being dryer than any time since May.

A genius is a man who can pay just enough taxes to escape envy and suspicion.

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