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COMMIT THY WAY unto the Lord; trust also in him;
and he shall bring it to pass.—Psalm 37:3, 5.

Too Soon

John McCourt, member of the supreme court of Ore-
gon, has been called by death, and his demise is entirely
too soon, from the standpoint of rendering service to his
fellowman.

We say "too soon," for every sane man realizes that
his time will come, and in this day and age for men who
think there is little fear of death. It is a transition that
is bound to arrive and the men of John McCourt's type
meet that transition with a calmness that means a full
knowledge of the possibility of its coming at any day or
any hour.

We cannot refrain from calling to mind at this time
the intrinsic worth of this man who, young in years, had
experienced the hard knocks of life, thus enriching him in
abundant experience, and knowledge of his fellow beings.
Born to the working class, John McCourt entered life
handicapped, or blessed, whichever may be the construc-
tion, by meager surroundings. He knew not what wealth
in the home meant; he knew not the power and prestige of
ancestry; he knew nothing of wire-pulling for prominence,
nor did he know the meaning of acquiring a position
except by hard, constant effort. The older residents of
Salem will remember John McCourt as a youngster deliv-
ering milk to his customers. They remember him as a
boy who, instead of hunting and fishing, was at work
trying to earn sufficient funds to educate himself.

Hardships, you say. Not at all. They were blessings.
For John McCourt arose as a man among men, possessing
that fundamental knowledge of existence so few possess.
He took his place in Oregon life freed from the proverbial
silver spoon, and in its place he had the desire to serve
and the willingness to assist his fellowman. That he should
have climbed to the supreme bench—the highest gift of
honor in the state—is a tribute to our American system,
which, regardless of the blatherskites and the radicals, is
still all right. It shows the individual worth was encom-
passed in John McCourt.

His taking away was entirely too soon. Yes, too soon.
Not for John McCourt, for what matters a few years to
the life of a man who has reached fifty and upwards
but to the commonwealth. The wealth of his wisdom and
experience would have been a blessing to the state. His
next few years would have left their impress upon many
young lives.

But it was not to be, and today, we, along with the
many other personal friends of John McCourt, mourn the
loss of a good man, a true American in every sense, and
one who by his own efforts achieved success and promi-
nence, all of which were richly due him.

Bryan's Merchandise

Oregon is to again hear Bryan—W. J. Bryan, the Peer-
less One, who stepped into prominence because he had a
line of oratorical merchandise to peddle. He has peddled it
in a most remarkable manner, all must admit. It is a
quarter century since this lawyer of Lincoln, Nebraska,
electrified the people of America with his "Crown of Thorns
and Cross of Gold," yet he keeps coming every presidential
year and each time he has followers. No matter how
awkward his position may be he soothes his followers with
his oratory just as Mark Anthony did hundreds of years
ago.

And yet there are those who contend that oratory is
a lost art and of no consequence.

Bryan has built a fine fortune and an international
prominence, not by his statesmanship, for that is absurd,
but by his oratory.

This year he comes to Eastern Oregon speaking for a
man whom he chose to brand as a "tool of the money
power." He was strongest of all in condemning the gen-
tleman he now seeks support for, Bryan's strange mind
never has lost sight of trying to arraign class against class,
but this campaign he comes to us in a most apologetic
manner asking support for the man whom he condemned
as representative of Wall Street before the nomination.

As a matter of fact Mr. Bryan was wrong to start with.
for the candidate whom he now supports was not the "tool
of Wall Street" nor was he the tool of anyone. Fortunately
the Democratic party this year nominated a high class

man—a man of worth and of pronounced standing.

But the farce of the Bryan campaign is that the former
Nebraskan is so inconsistent that he would in pre-
nominating days label John W. Davis as a tool of the
money power and a man unfit to represent the people,
and then when Mr. Davis honorably secured the nomina-
tion for president, here comes Bryan with his oratory
claiming Mr. Davis is the proper man for the place.

Continuing as of old, Mr. Bryan is the vendor of ora-
torical merchandise and little else. He is a fine man, a
high type moral gentleman, but when it comes to states-
manship or consistency Mr. Bryan is lacking today just
as he was when he first stood before an American
audience and thrilled the people with his oratory.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

Not brains, but the use of them.
counts. A pig has brains, but they
are chiefly valuable in sandwiches.

A certain tired business man of
La Grande wonders every now and
then why Mr. Burbank hasn't given
to a weary world grass that will
grow an inch high and then quit.

The man who is afraid to say it
himself but wants the newspaper
to take it up called at this office
the other day reports an ex-
change.

Beauty, said an ancient philoso-
pher, is the rarest thing in the
world, but that was before it could
be bought by the box.

HAREN SCAREM
The Sultan got sore on his harem
And invented a scheme for to
scare 'em.
He caught him a mouse which he
loosed in the house.
(The confusion is called harem-
scarem.)

Some people say that prohibi-
tion is a failure. Well, they might
as well say the same thing about
the Ten Commandments.

Doctor: "Yes, you are in such a
condition that you should go to
Florida."
Patient: "Oh, My! Am I?"
Doctor: "Yes, or Palm Beach."

"Prepare yourself for a shock,"
said the physician to the young and
beautiful wife of an old and very
wealthy man. "There is no hope.
I'm afraid your husband is going to
get well."

You don't need to worry about
physical training on a trip if you
get an upper berth.

CYNIC
The only woman I can trust
are the two Kewpies sitting at my
feet on the mantelpiece—and they
have glass eyes."

If he's married you can't tell
whether he smokes a pipe because
he is an out-door man or is an
out-door man because he smokes a
pipe.

A secret is what you tell some-
one not to tell because you prom-
ised not to tell it yourself.

Teacher examining class on
(trigonology): "Johnny, what is a
universal point?"
Johnny: "A department store,
Ma'am."

Investigators have at least dem-
onstrated that hard control should
have been practiced 50 years ago.

There can be no particular ob-
jection to the family skeleton an-
nounce it is permitted to wear a bath-
ing suit.

There is much good sense in
a nation that can be happy in
spite of "how-to-be-happy" books.

One slow but sure way to re-
duce fat is the way the average
American wastes his earnings.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



Tom Sims

Says

Very often the girl who threat-
ens to scream if you kiss her
would be more liable to scream
if you didn't.

Heaven must be a place where
you don't get tired of loafing.

Skinny people don't get as
warm as fat people in summer,
but then they don't in winter,
either.

It would be easier to quit
smoking if you could gather up
much admiration for the man
who don't smoke.

Human nature is what makes a
pair of rolled stockings climbing
aboard a street car more attrac-
tive than a bathing suit.

About the only way to get at
the seat of this trouble with the
rising generation is by using a
shingle.

Prohibition doesn't make it
much harder to get a drink, but
it does make it much harder to
drink it.

The best thing about these new
buggy trousers is you can change
without taking off your shoes.

The way to a beautiful but
dumb girl's heart is a round trip.

Our objection to an old flame
is she won't burn your letters.

We had almost rather work
than be a politician.

Being popular doesn't leave you
much time for making real
friends.

OREGON SEED SPUDS LIKED

Determination to put a high
class article on the market, fol-
lowed by close attention to the
best growing practices, enabled
growers of the Western mountain
section of Oregon to dispose of all
the seed potatoes they wanted to
sell for planting this year's crop
in one district of the Yakima val-
ley, where their product has the
reputation of being the most de-
pendable on the market.

Western mountain is the only
potato section of Oregon where
all growers make a concerted ef-
fort to grow seed, believes E. R.
Jackman, crops specialist for the
state college extension service,
who makes the inspection and cer-
tification. All through the sea-
son these growers persistently
rogue out off-type and diseased
tubers. Many of them will select
seed for their own use. Their
product is carefully graded before
it is shipped.

H. E. Evans, Sunnyside potato
grower and dealer of the Yakima
valley, says he has tried seed from
all sections and that from Western
mountain is uniformly of fine
quality. He grows and handles no
other. W. W. Rogers, another
Sunnyside grower, expects be-
tween 650 and 700 bushels per
acre from his Western mountain
seed this year. A year ago seed
from that district produced the
best dry land potato crop in Un-
ion county—375 bushels per acre
on the South McKennon farm
near Allet.

Expanding seed production af-
fers the best opportunity of de-
veloping the potato industry in
Oregon, according to the crops re-
port of the state agricultural soci-

Blankets for the Chilly Nights that are near at hand



Oregon City Blankets and Robes

The same long - fibered
wool that keep the sheep
warm in the cold mountain-
ous country of this state
are put into Oregon City
pure virgin wool blankets
to keep hundreds of people
warm through the long cold
winter nights.

66x84 Heavy all-wool, silk bound plaid, single blanket.....	\$15.00
66x84 Heavy all-wool, silk bound plaid, single blanket.....	\$14.50
66x84 Heavy all-wool, plaid, single blanket.....	\$13.00
66x84 Heavy all-wool plaid, single blanket.....	\$12.50
72x84 Heavy all-wool, single, plaid blanket, colors, pink, blue, lavender, black and grey.....	\$11.50
70x84 Double Blanket, colors, pink and white, and blue and white plaid, pure virgin wool.....	\$16.50
Single Crib Blanket, silk bound, in pink and white and blue and white.....	\$5.25
Double Crib Blanket, silk bound in white with pink border and white with blue border.....	\$6.00
66x84 wool mixed blanket.....	\$8.00
66x80 wool mixed blanket.....	\$6.75

INDIAN AND AUTO ROBES

Indian Robes

Good assortment of pal-
terns and colors—
\$8.50 - \$10.00 - \$12.00
and \$13.00

Auto Robes

Attractive plaid patterns
in dark colors. Many with
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70x82 Wool mixed double plaid blanket—	\$6.90
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66x80 Cotton double plaid blanket—	\$4.50
64x76 Cotton double plaid blanket, in tan, grey and white—	\$3.00
65x80 Cotton double plaid blanket, in tan, grey and white—	\$3.75
72x80 Cotton double plaid blanket, in tan, grey and white—	\$4.00
66x80 Wool mixed, tan plaid "Wear- Well" blanket—	\$8.50

Investigate this stock while it
is complete.



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Auto Robes

\$8.25 to \$11.75

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an extra heavy single,
all-wool blanket, white
with colored stripes—
\$10.00

65x80 The "Yellowstone,"
an extra heavy single
all-wool blanket, white
with colored stripes, and
is silk bound—
\$10.50

66x84 Heavy, single, all-
wool blanket, of plaid de-
sign—
\$9.00

66x80 Heavy, double, all-
wool, plaid blanket, in
pink and white and blue
and white—
\$15.00

66x80 Heavy, double, all-
wool, plaid blanket, in
pink and white and blue
and white—
\$12.00

62x80 Wool mixed blan-
ket—very dark grey—
\$8.50

60x80 Wool mixed blan-
ket—very dark grey—
\$7.25

69x80 All-wool blanket—
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66x80 All-wool blanket—
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in pink and white and
blue and white; silk
bound—
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Window Display

WEEKLY NEWS FROM PROMISE

nomie conference. Beyond local
demand the market for table stock
is largely confined to the south-
western states and Mexico. The
conference recommended an in-
crease in the state's potato acre-
age now.

Producers of Table Greens
Will Meet in Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP)—Vege-
table growers from every state will
meet here September 15 at the an-
nual convention of the Vegetable
Growers Association of America, to
discuss ways and means to combat
the inroads of the Japanese beetle,
Mexican bean beetle, European
corn borer and other insect pests,
and to take action on proposals for
better marketing facilities, stan-
dardization of methods of produc-
tion of quality crops from pedi-
greed seed.

Our idea of an educated man
is one who understands what the
information bureau tells him.

PROMISE (Special)—Robert
Fleishman left Saturday for his
home in La Grande, after spend-
ing several months with his uncle
Andrew Fleishman.

Lora Carper left Saturday for
Walla Walla where she will attend
high school.

Tex Williams' family visited re-
cently at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. P. C. Carper.

Everybody enjoyed the recent
rain here.

Theresa Smith went to Wad-
sworth the first of the week, where
she will attend high school.

The Promise school opened the
first of this week, with Miss Ruth
Hayes, of Walla Walla, as teacher.
She is staying at the William San-
dner home.

U. Pontson and family, who
have been living at Massville since
the week end here. He has sold
the wood cutting outfit to Elmer
Donnell and Miss Smith, but has
a job cutting timber.

Lewis Newby, who is working
at outside points has been home
for a few days.

The Riverside school began the
first of the week with Miss Eunice
Courtney of Troy, teaching. She
has been staying at the C. P. Car-
per home.

William A. Reed is spending a
few days at home.

READ THE CLASSIFIED ADS

U.B. Thrifty says



Every day is labor day
for the man who isn't build-
ing up for the future.

BUILD UP A BANK ACCOUNT

—and for its solid founda-
tion, select a bank that is
strong, reliable and willing
to do its full share in help-
ing you to get ahead.

In other words, select our
bank as a place for your
deposits — because you will
find that we fill all your
requirements.

Think it over. The extra
effort you put forth now
will make you independent
in later years.

We are ready to help—
are you ready to start?

"It's better to
work and save
than to
spend and slave"

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