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THE THIRSTY TRUTH IN HIS OWN HEART IS A POOL.
—Prov. 25:24.

Stamp Out Illiteracy

From every political, economical and moral standpoint it is important to the world that illiteracy is being reduced by great strides in every country of the world and that a day will come when the number of illiterates will be infinitesimal.

It is also amazing, especially to Americans, that there are a half billion illiterates in India and China, that Africa and Russia each have one hundred million people who can not read or write, that there are fifty million illiterate Latin-Americans and that although the educated in the United States, England, France and Germany are in the majority, each of these countries has no inconsiderable illiteracy.

On universal education must the world depend for perpetual peace, economic stability and plenty, moral rectitude and universal contentment and prosperity. As literacy has spread the universe has approached nearer to these ideals. There is little doubt that its free schools and compulsory education have aided the United States in becoming the most progressive and prosperous country of the world. Mexico has coped with its revolutionary elements only through the extension of educational privileges to the open class.

The movement for universal literacy has been benefited greatly by a change in the attitude of the monarchial governments of the world toward the educating of the lower classes and by the establishment of representative government in many European and Asiatic countries as a result of the World war. Where once the ruling powers of Europe and Asia felt that general illiteracy strengthened their authority and so nurtured it they now foster education for all classes. In 1911 only 6 per cent of the population of India could read, but in 1917 there were seven and one-half million pupils in that country.

For the same reasons that an educated man is peaceful and productive will educated nations and an educated world be likewise.

Canada's Resources

Publication of the Canadian geological survey's estimate that the Dominion's coal reserve amounts to more than the north country is destined to become a great manufacturing nation. England owes her modern greatness, it has been said, to the early development of her coal. It was coal that made Germany a great industrial country, and it has been coal, more than anything else, that has led to the establishment of manufactures in the United States. The countries which have had coal have developed manufactures; those which have lacked it have not done so.

Canada's agriculture, fur trade, fisheries and mines are commonly regarded as her greatest resources. But her manufacturing business is growing and promises to become more and more important. In addition to her vast coal deposits the Dominion has eighteen million horsepower of undeveloped waterpower, and this will also count heavily in transforming her into a predominantly manufacturing country.

England has comparatively little waterpower and is using up her coal resources much more rapidly than most other countries are consuming theirs. It would not be surprising if eventually Canada will become the seat of many English manufacturing enterprises. Already 250 British industries have established branch factories in the Dominion. Eight hundred American companies have established branch factories in Canada; not only for the sake of capturing the Canadian trade, but because through their Canadian subsidiaries they can trade with the whole British Empire to greater advantage than is possible through their establishments in the United States.

The annual production of Canadian manufacturing industries has shown a steady increase in late years and now amounts to \$400 per capita, while the country's exports equal \$150 per capita and are said to be the highest of any country in the world.

More and more Canada is going to be a commercial rival of the United States.

The only thing harder than living within an income is living without one.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

Tom Sims Says

Just before married seems to be becoming sufficient grounds for divorce.

They say hotted hair isn't as much trouble as long hair, and if you have your teeth pulled you won't have to brush them.

Days are getting shorter right along now, but the distance from payday to payday remains the same.

Even though you hear a lot about self-made men we can't think of any men who are not that.

It takes two to start a fight or a family, and too often there isn't any difference.

We hate to mention unpleasant things, but income taxes are due again in days before Christmas.

Paint heart or complexion never won a husband.

Friday is considered unlucky because it usually comes the day before payday, and that's when you are broke.

Nice thing about the coming cold spell you can keep your hands in your pockets so you won't lose your money.

Did you know a rope was 10 percent stronger when wet? This even includes the campaign ropes.

The dead letter office is being swamped with political circulars and that's their right address.

Something talk is cheap. Something isn't. Often a little of it costs a man a lot of money.

Now that we have a "Own-Your-Own-Home" movement we need a movement to get all the autos paid for.

"There will be plenty of coal this winter," says a dealer. Yes, and no doubt there will be plenty of diamonds.

THE OPEN COURT

CORRESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THEIR NAMES TO THE EDITOR IF THEY DESIRE LETTERS PRINTED.

PALMITER WRITES.
To the Editor:—Dairying has been about the only branch of agriculture that has returned a profit to the farmers of Oregon for the past three or four years, and the last legislature passed a law prohibiting the use of milk or its products in the manufacture of butter substitutes in order to protect this branch.

The referendum has been invoked on this law. A few concerns want to make big profits at the expense of the farmers by putting a counterfeit butter on the market, using a small per cent of milk products to give it the taste and odor of real butter.

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ter, and selling it for "something just as good."

The argument in the state pamphlet makes the point that the anti-oleo law prohibits the manufacture of oleo in Oregon. It does not. It simply requires that oleo stand on its own merits; that there shall be no fraud, no counterfeiting, that the manufacturers shall not doctor up their copra and vegetable oil products with milk products to undermine the dairy market and drive thousands of cows off the farms.

About 23 million pounds of oleo will be sold in Oregon this year, about one-fourth made in this state and the balance shipped in. It would require approximately 14 thousand cows to supply this amount of real butter. Now, which would be of the most benefit to the state, the profits of a half dozen oleo makers or the addition of 14,000 cows to the dairy farms of Oregon, with the industries that would be supported by this addition?

Oregon will never be permanently prosperous until farming is prosperous. Our chamber of commerce, railroads and other organizations are expending big sums of money to build up farming and bring in new residents. Doesn't it seem that the addition of 14,000 dairy cows to the present farms was worth the effort of voting for?

And bear this in mind, you friends of agriculture: If you would vote out the spurious butter vote "yes" on the referendum. There seems to be general confusion regarding this. The proposition as whether or not to sustain the present law. If you would sustain it, and prohibit the manufacturers from using milk in their oil products to make it pass as butter, vote "yes."

GEORGE A. PALMITER, State Grange Master, Hood River.

ELECTION NEARS

Editor of Observer:—In a recent issue of your paper we notice that there are no candidates for the office of City Commissioner. May I suggest a few good men for this office who I believe would accept it and who would give the city a good clean government to the best of their ability. These men are: A. T. Hill, or Hill's Dept. Store; G. E. Ginn, jeweler, 12 S. Smith; H. & B. Ginn, 12 S. Smith; J. N. Co. Fred East, water service dept., O. W. R. & N. Dr. P. L. Ralston or Dr. H. P. Landis.

La Grande is fast approaching a point where she must have better water, better streets, better lighting system and better conditions in general. And at this time we must take it upon ourselves to see that we have the best and the clearest city government attainable. And if someone who has the time would see these men and ask them to run for this office we have no doubt as to the outcome.

Yours for a better La Grande, EVERETT WALKER, 1514 V. Ave.

Obituary

JOSEPH R. READY (Union Republican)
Died at Union, Oregon, Saturday, September 20, 1924. Joseph R. Ready, age 74 years, 5 months and 29 days.

Joseph R. Ready was born to St. Joseph, Missouri, March 26, 1850, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Metcalf, near Union, September 20, 1924.

In 1875 he left the land of his birth and moved to Kansas for a short time, then to Colorado, finally coming west to Pilot Rock, Oregon, where he remained for 10 years. He then moved to La Grande for a short time, then to Walla Walla, county near Elora, where he made his home for 15 years. Here his wife died and after that he made his home among his children. September 2, 1912, he was married to Miss Katherine Evans of St. Joseph, Mo. To this union 10 children were born, five of whom are living. His wife passed on in 1908. Those surviving are Mrs. Margaret Metcalf, Mrs. Lulu Freeman.

SHIP BODY TONIGHT
The remains of Paul Doreacque.

JOHN W. SCOTT.
John W. Scott, aged 57 years, of Elgard, who died yesterday, will be buried in the Elgard City cemetery tomorrow afternoon following funeral services at two o'clock in the Bohlenkamp chapel with Pastor Rev. Quinn officiating.

Mr. Scott leaves a widow, a sister, Mrs. John Casey, of Maeham, and the following children: Orven Scott, Beulah Scott, Donna Scott, Winfield Scott, Ellis Scott, June Scott, and Mrs. Hughes House, all of Elgard. He was a resident of Elgard for 22 years.

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Mrs. Matilda Brady, Mrs. Victor Lyman, Frank Brady; three brothers—James of Washington, Robert of Missouri, Mose of Colorado; one sister in California, and a number of grand children. When a young man he united with the Cumberland Presbyterian church at St. Joseph. On moving west he united with the Methodist church at Elora. Coming to Union he attended services at the Advent, Presbyterian and Methodist churches, and enjoyed the fellowship and friendship of all. He was a sincere, earnest Christian. He joined the L. O. O. F. about 20 years ago and was faithful to its teachings and obligations to the last. He was a good husband and father, a kind neighbor and friend. He was terribly afflicted for over a year, but bore his suffering with patience and fortitude. He leaves many relatives and friends who mourn his passing.

The funeral was held at the Methodist church Monday, September 22, 1924, at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. Quinn conducting the services. He was laid to rest in the Union cemetery.

MANILA (AP)—Bishop John W. Robinson of the Methodist Episcopal church, with headquarters in Bombay, India, thinks the moral tone of the United States is improving and that it is becoming a better place in which to live. He is returning to India after spending several months in the United States. He has lived more than 20 years in the Far East.

"Greater charities are being announced," said the bishop, "man-kind is more thoughtful of his neighbor, and more hospitals are being erected to care for the sick making the United States a better place to live in. I visited all of the larger cities of the country, north, south, east and west and saw no drunken men. Christianity is strong throughout the country, greater churches are being built, and more progress is being made."

Bishop Finds Moral Tone Of United States Improving

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