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THEY THAT WAIT upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.—Isaiah 40:31.

## Miss Julia Groo

Portland.—Today we lunched with the Portland Chamber of Commerce Forum and during that luncheon the program consisted of introduction of Miss Julia Groo, the young lady who won the \$15,000 home in the national contest on electric lighting. She is a bright girl, better than average in looks and is a mighty good public speaker. After Major George L. Baker and Franklin Griffith, of the Portland Electric company had paid their highest compliments to the young lady and had used their most flowery language, the plain little school girl delivered a short speech of appreciation that was a gem. She was herself, free from any attempt to fool anyone. She knew nothing of oratory, nothing about stage poise or gesture, and the speech was like a pure mountain stream dashing over rugged pebbles. How fine it is to see and hear someone who really can be natural. The lives of most people are twisted by hypocrisy, cramped by public sentiment or blighted by a mad desire to be something they are not. They are either "aping" some character in a book, attempting to mimic some social idol, or trying to maintain an air of moneyed aristocracy, so, when this plain school girl spoke exactly the way she felt it is little wonder the entire body which filled the green room listened in breathless reverence. Probably she is the first entirely natural speaker that has been heard at a chamber of commerce luncheon for many months.

At this same luncheon, members of the Multnomah delegation to the state legislature made four-minute speeches to their constituents, telling them where they stand, or rather supposedly where they stand, on much proposed legislation. Someone said the speeches were like a "Mother Hubbard" dress in that they covered everything and did not touch anything, but this was not entirely true. It was plain that the child labor bill will have hard sledding among the Multnomah boys, that any form of income tax is about as popular with them as George Cleaver would be at a booze party, and that there is a divided feeling relative to reducing automobile licenses.

At the Orpheum theater in Portland a fellow got off a good one—here it is: He pulled a flask from his hip pocket, and when asked what it was he said, "It is a 'klick in the pants.'" One large, fat lady who looked like she might know how to make home brew, laughed so hard she broke a string of phony pearls which flew in all directions.

*Bruce Dennis*

Grand Duchess Cyril says her American trip did not cost her a cent. Of course not. We have folks who are delighted to pay for the privilege of hobnobbing with royalty even though it is only of an assumed brand.

English clergyman says that brides are calm while grooms are nervous. The calmness is due, possibly to satisfaction that the job of bringing the men to action is ended.

The constitution guarantees every man the right to the pursuit of happiness, but it doesn't agree to provide him with the breath to make the chase.

A man is sometimes willing to admit his faults, but a woman, wiser in her sex, just goes to a drug store and gets something to cover them up.

When he's courting her, a man is sure he isn't good enough for her, and after they've been married a year she's positive about it.

The dangerous age for any man is when he starts in to kid himself with the idea his wife "doesn't understand" him.

That loud crash was New Year's resolutions breaking.

## THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



### Editorials From Over the Nation

**HELPING THE COURTS**  
In general, the best way to help the judges in American courts is to let them alone. The Supreme Court of the United States, in particular, so far as it figures in this year's presidential election, was voted by the people to be doing very well as it is. Some of the proposals to change its procedure and add to its numbers, while doubtless well meant, recall too vividly the offer of the kindly elephant to a lion on the excuse that the lion which was troubled because they would not hatch. The Supreme Court itself is probably the best judge of the kind of aid it needs. Chief Justice Taft has been urging upon committees of Congress certain changes in the law which would prevent so many cases of all kinds being taken to the Supreme Court that its calendar is heavily clogged.

Of Federal judges as a whole it may be said that they are poorly paid for the work which they do, especially in comparison with the salaries received by judges of State courts. At present, a District Judge of the United States in the City of New York receives \$7,500. A brother judge of his who happens to sit in the State Supreme Court, though having to face about the same number of living conditions, gets \$12,000. A bill now before the Senate Judiciary Committee proposes moderate increases in the salaries of Federal judges. Their work is yearly becoming more important and exacting. Fortunately able men have usually been found willing to take the credit of those dignified judicial positions and let the cash go; but the sacrifice asked was a stylish beautiful coat of orlebis presented to her by the groom.

The jilted lover who blows his brains out has to be good shot. A mere mortal man never realizes how weak he is until he tries to quit smoking.

**THE FLAPPER'S RUEAMYAT**  
A box of chocolates underneath a tree. A coca-cola, "Flaming Youth" and three Boudier me puffing Camels gracefully. O such a life were Paradise for me.

Wife (in a huff): "Oh, you needn't thank you're so wonderful. The night you proposed to me you looked absolutely silly."  
Hubby: "A coincidence. The fact is I was absolutely silly."  
"I'll never get over this as long as I live," said the hen as she surveyed the ostrich egg.

"Maud says her husband disapproved her on their honeymoon."  
"How?"  
"On the steamer she wanted the other passengers to think an ocean trip was an old story to them, but almost as soon as they were on board he pointed to a row of lifeboats and asked the captain what was the idea of all the extra trees."

The very first thing that you see when a girl takes off her hat is an invincible hair-net.

**MEDEFORD WINS SERVICE**  
MEDFORD, Ore.—The Multnomah Chamber of Commerce directors at their special meeting here, with President Dunne and State Manager Brandenberg of the Oregon State Motor association were notified by these officials that since Medford had obtained the 15th members of the association necessary to continue the office here with a full time man in charge the local office would be the first outside of Portland with the association's official towing service.

**CAUGHT**  
Eugene G. Luchest, vice president of a bank in Des Moines, Ia., slipped out when an examiner came around to look over his books. His accounts, the examiner says, were about \$100,000 short. Luchest, arrested in Memphis, Tenn., admitted there was a shortage, but declared it would not amount to more than \$10,000. He blamed roadside parties and other "high life" for his plight.

**BE SURE OF GENUINE FORD PARTS**  
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**INJURED MAN AT WALLOWA**  
Gene Robinson, of Maxville, Taken to Nearby City for Hospital Care.

MAXVILLE (Special).—Gene Robinson was seriously hurt a few days ago when a tree, hit by a log, fell, striking him on the head, causing concussion of the brain and breaking his right arm. He was removed to the Wallowa hospital, where he is in a grave condition.

Fred Makins spent the last of the week at Wallowa and Kenter, visiting friends and relatives.

Alex Burns returned from Wallowa Saturday where he was attending to company business.

Sam Houston of La Grande has returned to his home after spending the past two weeks here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McLoe of Longview, Wash., arrived in Maxville last week and Mr. McLoe will be employed here. They formerly made Maxville their home, but moved to Longview about six months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Carper of Promise were visitors at Maxville Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Carper will leave in a few days for the coast, where they expect to locate.

J. T. Shron of La Grande, has accepted a position with the Bowman-Hicks Lumber company at Maxville.

A dance was given Saturday night at the Log Cabin by Chas. Stafford.

**Show Is Deep.**  
The cold weather has gone and it has started snowing. The snow is three feet deep at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Puckett, who have resided at Maxville for the past year, have gone to Arkansas, where they will reside in the future.

Lee Fine is confined to his home on account of illness.

Charles Willis, who has been confined to his home with la grippe, is able to be out again.

With the holidays over and men back from the vacations, logging has resumed its normal condition.

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## Yesterday In Congress

(By the Associated Press)  
The house passed a \$157,000,000 deficiency appropriation bill.

President Coolidge's veto of the postal pay bill was sustained by the senate.

Luther E. Brewer filed a contest over the seat of Senator Brookhart of Iowa.

A bill designed to settle the Chicago lake drainage controversy was introduced in the house.

Senator Lodge attacked the silver reading insurgent senators out of the Republican party.

The agricultural commission continued consideration of relief plans for the cattle industry.

Harian F. Stone began to clear his desk preparatory to retiring as head of the department of justice.

Officials were informed that the list of the Bank of England officials was to further restore the pound sterling to its gold parity.

War department recommendations for reductions in the rivers and harbors bill were placed before the house rivers and harbors committee.

The department of agriculture announced no information had been received to support a complaint that wheat is being made subject to vicious speculation.

Bad thing about steam heat is you can't throw everything into the radiator.

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