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IS IT NOT to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?—Isaiah 58:7.

It Is Necessary

State House, Salem (By Mail).—There are times when one trying to represent the people of a district, hesitates and ponders, knowing that what he is going to do is right from a local point but questioning the action from a sound, fundamental business standpoint.

That is exactly the frame of mind of every legislator relative to the seed wheat local bill calling for a million and a half dollars to be loaned from the various state funds to ranchers who have had their wheat frozen and need funds with which to buy seed.

Of course the farmers need this money, of course the state needs to have that land produce the coming season, and being an Eastern Oregon man, we are supporting it, but nevertheless, we see a dangerous precedent for the future; we see a possibility of a crop failure next year in the regions where loans are made; we see a number of things that are possible to upset a balanced business condition.

Stripping the different state funds for money to loan to any particular line of business could not be called sound policy, but in this instance it seems absolutely necessary. The local banks have gone their limit, and besides they will have to carry the costs of seeding and other things needed by the ranchers, hence it is up to the state to extend this credit or see thousands of acres of wheat land lie idle, with wheat at a very high price.

The Eastern Oregon normal school bill is in the process that all bills are put through. We have been asked repeatedly, has it a chance to pass? Yes, it has a chance if funds can be found to erect the school, but Ashland will insist on a school there and Monmouth positively must have some financial assistance, for it is now over-crowded. Every effort will be made to pass the Eastern Oregon normal school bill, but there must be a way found to obtain funds and there must be some way found to prevent the three normal schools, if established, from forming a legislative coalition, which, when we had three normals, for many years dictated a condition in every session that was most reprehensible and degrading. This may all be worked out, at any rate an attempt is being made to do so.

Bruce Dennis

It is claimed that members of the building trades dislike to ride in public conveyances in their "working clothes." Perhaps that's the reason that so many ride in their own automobiles.

From some of the remarks heard from perplexed decipherers it might be concluded that it is a cuss-word puzzle.

Our own faults are just lovable weaknesses of human nature; the other fellow's are studied villainy.

Mussolini appears able to get the votes when he needs them.

Editorials From Over the Nation

BOOTLEGGERS NOT WANTED
Portland Journal.—Last week the head of a large Portland baking industry discharged a man who for more than 10 years had held a position of trust. He had found that the employee was sharing in the profits and, presumably, in the profits of a boot-legal.

His Deaf Ear



leggers or who visit bootleggers' houses or places of business will be suspended for the first offense and discharged for continuation of the offense.

The company's employees may have felt their personal liberties were infringed. They may have grumbled. But the fact is that booze is prohibited by national amendment, national law and state amendment. In any other connection, the employee who broke the law would not be retained. Why not in the case of bootleg booze, which to use is to lose one's self-control and acknowledge a new and vicious master?

HER MISTAKE

Pendleton East Oregonian.—A woman living near Carson, Wash., had \$250 in currency and she put it in an old coffee pot and hid it in the ground for "safe keeping." When she went to dig it up she could find neither the money nor the coffee pot. Evidently someone else knew of her secret and took advantage of her.

Such incidents seem strange, yet they are not uncommon at all. Down in southern Oregon recently an old man was nearly beaten to death by robbers who knew he had money concealed about his cabin. He thought he was playing safe but he was taking the most desperate sort of chances both with his savings and his personal safety.

Needless to say the safe place for money is in a bank. There are plenty of banks that are well managed and entirely safe for the depositor. They even pay interest on time deposits and they will also assist you in turning your savings into government bonds absolutely secure. It is pitiful to see people risk their savings by trying to hide it in out of the way places when there is a much better and safer course open to them.

LEGS
Idaho Daily Statesman.—In a fit of anger because directors was his only as a pair of beautiful legs, an aspiring moving picture actress disfigured her famous legs with acid.

She wanted to be written down for her brains, her art and her personality. It made her angry to think that the only merit she had was something that nature and accident had given her. She was not content to have her ankles photographed in close-ups when she served as a double for less beautifully developed but more prosperous actresses.

Perhaps her desire will work. With legs no longer able to serve

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27 YEARS AGO

Daily Morning Observer, February 2, 1898.—Prof. E. E. Bragg, of Hilgard, was in the city Saturday. The jolly whist club met today with Mrs. J. M. Hiltz. W. J. Snodgrass delivered an address before the Bi-metallic League of Portland last Wednesday evening.

There will be a new order of the Rebekahs instituted at Summerville the last of next week, and the La Grande lodge will be present and assist in its institution.

Henry Pierce, who has been in California several weeks studying best culture, is expected home in a few days and writes M. L. Causey that he is more enthusiastic than ever, and believes the farmers will find it a most profitable crop.

Hilgard—Hilgard folks all sick. Byron Nelson, of Union, was in the Cove Monday.

Mr. Lewis, the postmaster at Hilgard, accompanied by his fellow townsman, Mr. Ritz, was in the Cove last week representing the Pioneers of the Pacific.

OFFICE CAT By Junius

A widow is the luckiest woman in the world. She knows all about men, and all the men who know anything about her are dead.

A wise bachelor never takes a girl riding on a moonlight night or pokes his finger in an electric fan.

Pat: "I call your daughter Sun Maid."
Strike: "Sure, an' fur what Eatin' in?"

Pat: "She's the first girl my Sunkist."

"My daddy's taller than yours," boasted Eddie.
"He isn't," retorted Jack, indignantly. "My daddy's so tall that he has to stand on a chair to put his collar on."

Lawyer—Is it true that the accused has murdered his father and his mother, but, gentlemen of the jury, I ask you to remember that he is only a poor orphan.

AIN'T NO SUCH ANIMALS. Few famous men are modest and retiring. They never from the spotlight duck; And up to the time of going to press We've heard none say, "I owe my success, "To one continued streak of luck."

Mother used to borrow father's razor to rip out seams, but now she uses it for a neck shave.

Mrs. Newkale: "My dear, isn't that the 'Sextette from Lucia' the orchestra is playing?"
"No, I think it is a selection from 'Rigoletto'."

"I am positive it is the 'Sextette from Lucia'."

"Thereupon Mrs. Newkale goes to the orchestra stand and reads the placard posted in the space where the names of the selections played are usually placed. She returned to her partner.

"My dear, we are both wrong. It's the 'Refrain from Smoking'."

Every time bobbed hair goes out of style it seems to get more popular.

World peace never will come until every member of the bridge club believes that the other member knows something about the game.

WE WONDERED WHAT HAPPENED TO 'EM. "What do you do with all these old barber chairs?" "Ship 'em to Central Africa for thrones."

A true friend is one who can love you still after borrowing money from you.

Pretty soon the jokes about cross word puzzles will be far greater in number than the puzzles themselves.

The airplane flight around the world cost \$177,481. How extravagant! You could get a Leopold-Loeb trial for that amount.

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Yesterday In Congress Senator Mayfield, Texas, was named by the senate. The house sent the postal pay and rate increase bill back to the senate. A resolution for a federal trade-commission inquiry into control of the power industry was reported by a senate committee. The house committee on alcoholic liquor traffic reported it had found federal penalties for prohibition violations inadequate. President Coolidge was said at the White House to have no intention of calling an extra session of congress to consider farm legislation.

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