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I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.—John 14:6.

Some men who stand on their dignity give evidence of not having much else to stand on.

The difference between home and a restaurant is that at home you recognize the dinner scraps you get for supper.

It isn't exactly true to say that business is coming back. Certain people are going after it—and they are getting it.

A New York doctor says that medical practice was as far advanced 500 years ago as now—and that was before the appendix had been discovered.

The country seems about equally divided between those who blame original sin and those who blame Wall Street. Most soap-box politicians can be found in the latter class.

Back in Indiana eighteen Democratic senators escaped from the state legislature and left the state. To effect their return the Marion county horse thief detective association has been drafted into service—the first time in history that adequate means have been used to find senators.

Only an excellent following and influence such as Representative Hunter commands in the Oregon house could have secured the passage of the La Grande armory bill in that body after it had been disapproved by the Ways and Means Committee. He and Senator Dennis have believed firmly in the value of the armory to the entire state and are to be commended for the work they have done to get the bill passed.

LIQUOR DRINKING IN THE SCHOOLS.

At a meeting of the Hi-Dads recently the stand of the School Board against any and all varieties of drinking on the part of school students was unanimously commended. The Observer hurries to join in this commendation because we heartily believe nothing effecting school life is deserving of more attention than the problem of reducing drinking to the minimum.

School officials and Board members have warned the boys of the high school repeatedly regarding this danger. If they step over the line, the rule is absolute in all cases—they automatically sever their relations with the school. It's a ruling that may be considered drastic in some instances and one that may work undesired hardships, but it is worthy from all points of view and one that should receive the complete support of the entire community.

In taking this position the school authorities have gone the limit as far as they are concerned to eliminate drinking among boys in high school. They can discipline any offenders and protect the rest of the students from undesirable associations—but it's beyond their power to get at the source. That's a problem for city and county police protection and one that demands full devotion to duty, unlimited energy, and a true desire to serve.

There are those who can readily come under the classification of bootleggers in La Grande who devote a good share of their time selling or trying to sell their rotten moonshine to high school boys and other young fellows who need equal protection. In this day and age bootleggers are more or less ordinary in any community and a great many people think very little about them or the nature and effects of their business. But when one of them sinks so low and becomes so vile and degenerate as to attempt to spot and spoil young manhood and exercise a mean and detestable influence over the very youths to whom all of us must look for energy and leadership in future years—when one of them reaches that stage, there is no name sufficiently low for a correct characterization. It's beyond our comprehension.

Fortunately there has been comparatively very little liquor consumed by high school boys so far as is generally known. And we believe they will have access to a smaller and smaller quantity as time goes on. But this is going to be possible only through the co-operation of the boys, their parents, school and city officials. The result will be worth all it costs.

THE OLD HOME TOWN . . . By Stanley



THE DASHING NEW TRIMMER AT BIRD'S CROW'S MILLINERY SHOP HAD PLENTY OF HELP WHEN SHE MOVED HER LUGGAGE UP TO HANNAH HENSHAW'S BOARDING HOUSE.



OFFICE CAT
 TRADE MARK REG.
 By Junius

Many a girl is single today because she couldn't keep awake nights while a man talked about himself.

Grandma never heard of a permanent wave. On the other hand her complexion didn't come out in the wash.

"That hollow cough is dangerous," declares an advertisement. It certainly is. It indicates that the gas tank is empty.

Another printer has been fired by the editor of an Oregon newspaper because he made "shell-like cars" read "shell-like."

A kiss is a peculiar proposition: No one to one, yet absolute bliss to two; the small boy gets it for nothing, the young man has to steal it, and the old man has to buy it; it is the baby's right, the lover's privilege, the hypocrite's mask to a young girl, faith to a married woman, hope, and to an old maid, charity.

If you should by any chance find a way to kill two birds with one stone, you had better try to recover the stone.

PEOPLE WEVE BEEN LOOKING FOR BUT HAVEN'T MET

1. The golfer who made a hole in one and never talked about it.
2. The lady-killer who tells about the time he got left.
3. The hard-boiled egg that tells about the time he got ficked.
4. A beautiful girl with a kind heart—fond of animals, children, and, particularly, U.S. if you gather our meaning.
5. A cigarette that lived up to its ads.
6. Somebody who is good and doesn't know it—or dumb and does.
7. An editor who really appreciated our stuff.

Wood alcohol, wooden heads and wooden overcoats—it's all terribly consistent.

It might reduce colds some if the heads the dear girls wear to dance were made of wood.

If money talks some birds would suggest a little louder please.

"Well, here you are," said the doctor, "a pill for the kidneys, a tablet for the indigestion, and another pill for the nerves."

"But, look here, doctor," said the patient, "how will the little beggars know where to go when they're inside?"

Not all the people who come out flat footed for something or other have fallen arches.

Friend: "I suppose you find your wife can live on your income all right?"
 Newlywed: "Oh, yes, indeed; but it's up to me now to make another one for myself."

If men would boss themselves they would be free of all other bosses.

The man who buys \$100 worth of toys for his child must find it annoying that there is no provision for deducting the amount from his income tax.

Balloon tires are in demand because they can absorb bumps—can you?

American Birds and Beasts—Travel Far for New Homes

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP).—The director of the San Diego, Calif., Zoological Gardens recently brought to Australia a large shipment of American birds, animals and reptiles to be exchanged with the Melbourne and Sydney Zoological Gardens for Australian fauna.

The shipment, said to be the largest ever brought across the Pacific, included four alligators, five rattlesnakes, 25 monkeys, two Canadian timber wolves, three Canadian four-toed shrews, and a large variety of smaller animals and birds. They have been placed in the Sydney zoo for acclimatization.

It is said the paper is uninteresting it's a sign that he's string of crossword puzzles.

Finding out what is in a fancy maid is about as difficult as un-

HEALTH

RUSHING ANTITOXIN TO ALASKA TO SAVE LIFE

(By Dr. Frederick Strickler)

The recent dash of the dog teams across the frozen snows of Alaska to save the diphtheria stricken children of Nome with the life-saving diphtheria antitoxin, sent a thrill across this country. Braving blizzards and fighting the frost, the dog team drivers faced overwhelming odds to bring relief to the little sufferers. When the dash was over, the remedy received, most of us had a greater sense of appreciation of the advantage of living in Oregon where antitoxin and the preventative treatment for diphtheria are easily available. But have we (those of us who are parents) made use of these advantages and protected our children against diphtheria?

Diphtheria antitoxin was first made in 1894, and was shortly afterwards introduced into the United States. It was promptly recognized as a sure cure for the disease if given in time, and as a preventive when given to those who had been exposed. It was thought that diphtheria would soon be eradicated. To be sure, the number of deaths from diphtheria has diminished considerably. But why do we still have any cases or deaths? We have cases because there are diphtheria carriers, those persons who harbor the germs of the disease but have enough natural resistance so that they do not show the symptoms of becoming ill.

Because antitoxin was not available, many people died from diphtheria at Nome. Because parents often delay in calling a doctor when a child has a sore throat or croup with membranes present, antitoxin is often too late to save the child's life.

There is only one way that the children of Nome or of your town or any other town can be protected against having diphtheria, and that is by having toxin-antitoxin as a preventive treatment.

The Schick test is a painless and harmless tiny injection into the skin which definitely shows whether or not children are immune to diphtheria—that is, whether they are naturally safe from the disease. We can all know whether or not we are immune to diphtheria.

But that is only the beginning. If we are not immune, we can be made so by what is known as the toxin-antitoxin treatment. This treatment consists in injecting under the skin three small doses of diphtheria toxin-antitoxin, and entirely harmless product. Three injections make us immune to diphtheria. The prevention of diphtheria is not a fad. It is a proven safe and certain procedure.

Are aircraft better than battleships? That's the argument. Which will do more damage to our treasury?

The tobacco grower is claiming big profits are only pipe dreams.

Airsports fail to discover elusive schools of herring.



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27 YEARS AGO

Daily Morning Observer, February 26, 1898.—C. W. Nibley returned to Baker City yesterday.

C. C. Ruckman is busy constructing six large grain rollers for A. B. Conley.

Reverend R. M. Hayes left Friday morning for New York to meet with the Presbyterian Committee.

Hunter and Fox are now running their planing mill in full blast in order to fill orders for building material for four new houses which will be built in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Noyes left Monday morning for their homes in McEwen to remain during the summer months if not longer. Mrs. Lefroy will occupy their residence in this city.

J. K. Romig has sold G. B. Court-right five town lots in Alice. This makes fifteen in all that he has recently purchased.

Garret Top and his father, E. Top, have purchased the 230 acre Snodgrass farm near Summerville and will move on to it next week. They expect to plant 100 acres this spring.

W. S. McMillan, of Starkey, was in the city yesterday. He stated to an Observer reporter that he had completed his logging contract, having put into the river 200,000 feet of logs for the Grande Ronde Lumber Co.

Clarence Dupuis, an employee of the Pendleton Woolen mill, went from the picking room on February 24 to adjust a belt, without waiting for the machinery to stop. A set pin in the revolving shaft caught in his clothes and whirled him round and round at a tremendous speed, breaking many bones and crushing his chest. He died a few hours after the accident. He leaves a wife and young baby.

John Evans, who resides near Flora, Wallawa county, brought the sad news to La Grande yesterday of the drowning of the little four year old Arthur Norton. The child was attempting to cross Joseph creek upon a foot log, near Flora, to join his father who was herding sheep. Mr. Norton saw him start and told him to remain where he was and not to try to cross. The creek was greatly swollen, and he was fearful lest he might lose his footing and fall. Mr. Norton thought the child had obeyed as he did not see him again. In a few hours from the time Mr. Norton saw his child, as the little one did not appear at the house, a search was instigated and his cap was found floating around in a whirlpool near a pile of drift wood and later on his little body was seen, but when the drift was cut away the body was carried away by the force of the water, and up to the time Mr. Evans left had not been found. The accident occurred Monday.

schools of herring at sea, but the results were distinctly disappointing.

Equipped with radio apparatus to report back to their base, the air pilots cruised over the water looking for signs of the fish, but it was found that the planes move too fast, and that the herring swim too far beneath the surface of the sea for the observers to detect them.

SCHOOL PLANS CHANGED

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—The proposed inclusion of the Wyeth school district, along the Columbia highway west of here, in the new Union school district comprised of the lower Hood River valley may come to naught because of the refusal of plans for a Union high school at Cascade Locks.

It is proposed not only to include the Wyeth district, but a

portion of eastern Multnomah county in the Cascade Locks union high school district. W. D. Trotter of Wyeth said Wyeth was favorable to the Hood River plan until the Cascade Locks proposal was announced.

London in 1811 and was entertained at the London Hospital. At a distinguished assemblage of surgeons and physicians, Dr. Flexner inquired why James Mackenzie was not there.

"Mackenzie?" every one queried, and the answer all around was: "Why we have never heard of a doctor by that name who has accomplished anything of note."

"Woe!" Dr. Flexner replied. "Mackenzie is mighty well known in America, and so are all his works on the heart."

London then sat up and took notice. Not long afterward Dr. Mackenzie had become the chief consulting physician for heart diseases at London Hospital and a special department was created for him so that he could carry on his work.

Doctor's Own Land Last to Know Fame

GLASGOW (AP).—The fame of Sir James Mackenzie, heart specialist, who died last week, had spread to the United States, and to other parts of the world, long before he became a figure in the medical world of Great Britain. In connection with his passing the story is told of the visit of Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Laboratories for Medical Research, who came to

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